



# Minnie A. Wright Personal Papers, c.1870s-1948

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Minnie A. Wright (1866-1949) was born Minnie A. Bedell to parents Esther Amelia (Danes) Bedell (1836-1887) and Captain James Bedell (1836-1876). James Bedell died of yellow fever in Santos, Brazil, and Esther remarried Nathaniel Combs in 1882. Minnie's siblings included Arlington (1860-1909), Lonie (born and died c. 1871), Jimmy (1872-1872), Jimmy (1873-1873), and Addie (1874-1926). She was residing in Rockville Centre, N.Y., when she married prosperous farmer George W. Wright (1858-1928) of Elmont, N.Y. They had two sons, Raymond (1890-1898), and George Myrle Wright (1899-1950), who married Kathryn Jane Sly in 1930. Minnie was an active member of St. Johns Elmont Methodist Church, where, among other things, she was the organist, and a member of the Elmont Ladies Aid Society.

Included in the collection, which spans from c.1870s-1948, are photographs, a parish journal, church bulletins, a family Bible, and news clippings and a marriage certificate, which are facsimile reproductions.

Noteworthy among the materials in the collection is the leather-bound family Bible with metal clasps, which was presented to Minnie by her brother-in-law Andrew Wright in 1893. Published by Butler Brothers (New York and Chicago) in 1892, the full title of the Bible reads: *Holy Bible, Containing the Old and New Testaments, Translated out of the Original Tongues, with the Apocrypha, Concordance and Psalms, Revised New Testament, The Old (King James') Version and the Revised Version Arranged in Parallel Columns' for Convenience in Reference and Comparison.* It contains numerous illustrations and a small number of color maps. Also included are three pages that contain birth, marriage and death information about several members of the Wright family.

## **SUBJECTS**

### **Names:**

Wright, Minnie A., 1866-1949.  
St. Johns Elmont Methodist Church (Elmont, N.Y.).

### **Places:**

Elmont (N.Y.).  
Rockville Centre (N.Y.).

### **Form and Genre Terms:**

Church bulletins.  
Bibles.  
Marriage certificates.  
News clippings.  
Photographs.

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 Box and Folder Listings

Box 1

<u>Folder</u>	<u>Title/description</u>	<u>Inclusive dates</u>
1	Photographs - James Bedell - Minnie A. Wright (cabinet card) - George W. Wright (cabinet card) - George W. Wright (cabinet card) - Beach cottage (possibly belonging to George Myrle Wright and his wife, Kathryn)	c.1870s-c.1930s - c.1870s - c.1880s - c.1880s - c.1880s - c.1930s
2	Marriage certificate (facsimile copy) of Hester [should be Esther?] Bedell and Nathaniel Combs	1882
3	Parish journal, St. John's Elmont Methodist Church, 100 <sup>th</sup> anniversary	1940
4	Church bulletins	1940, 1948
5	News clippings (facsimile copies)	1876, 1887

Box 2

	Family Bible, <i>Holy Bible, Containing the Old            and New Testaments, Translated out of the            Original Tongues, with the Apocrypha, Concordance            and Psalms, Revised New Testament, The Old            (King James') Version and the Revised Version            Arranged in Parallel Columns' for Convenience in            Reference and Comparison.</i>	1892
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