

#### **Ezekiel Andrus and Mary Jane Wendall Colman**

Here are photographs of Ezekiel Andrus Colman and Mary Jane Wendell Colman. Ezekiel Andrus Colman, the son of Cyrus and Lydia Townsend Miles Colman, was born in Ashby, Massachusetts on August 10, 1814. Mary Jane Wendell was born October 16, 1817 in Salem, Massachusetts. They married on November 22, 1838 in Salem, Massachusetts. Colman was involved in wallpaper manufacturing until the pair settled in Lawrence, Kansas in 1854. Ardent Abolitionists, the Colmans joined the fourth Emigrant Aid party. For nearly two years, they lived on a farm three miles southwest of Lawrence, then moved into town to run a grocery store. In 1858, they purchased a farm in the Kanwaka community six miles west of Lawrence. Their farm house had a special room where they could hide slaves seeking freedom. The Colmans had fourteen children. Ezekiel Andrus Colman died December 11, 1898 in San Diego, California. Mary Jane died on October 17, 1905 at the age of 88 and is buried in Oak Hill cemetery, Lawrence, Kansas.

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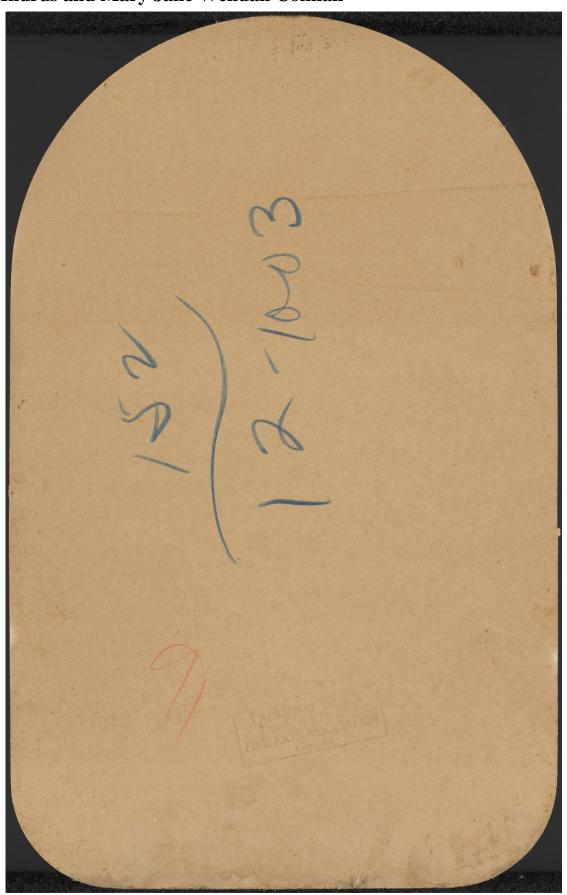
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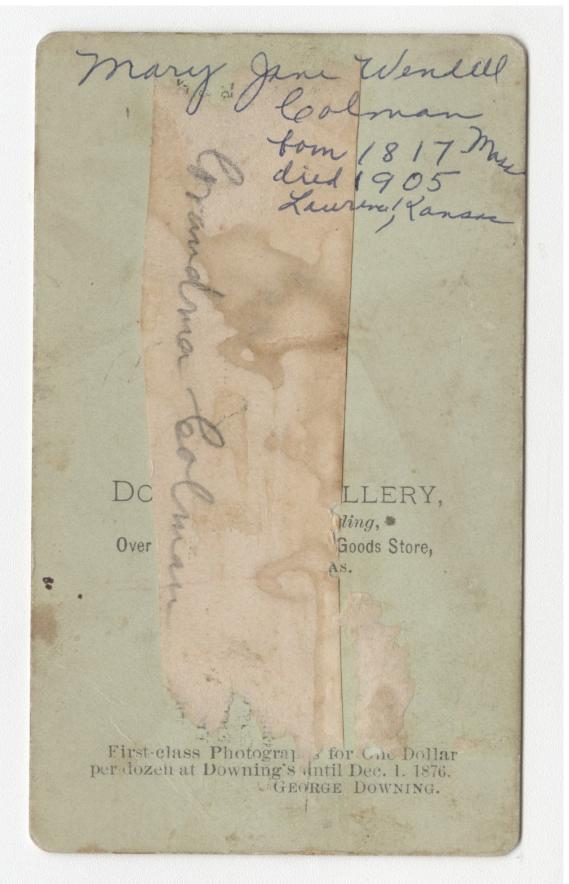




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