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Summary Information

Repository:	Friends of Wood Memorial Library and Museum
Creator:	Green family
Title:	Green family papers
ID:	2015.26
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Physical Description:	0.42 Linear Feet
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Abstract:	The Green family papers consists of photographs, photo negatives, correspondence, and news clippings related to the Green family and 660 Main Street, South Windsor.

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Biographical / Historical

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660 Main Street was originally the location of the home of Elihu Tudor, before being purchased by Samuel Green in 1838, who later tore it down. A "Victorian Gothic cottage" was designed and built on the site by Alexander Jackson Davis in 1851 and was inhabited by Charles Green and his family until 1874. The house remained in the Green family until 1963, when it was sold to the Mahr family. The house remains an excellent surviving example of the Gothic Revival style.

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This collection contains photographs, photo negatives, correspondence, deeds, and news clippings related to the Green family and 660 Main Street.

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