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INTRODUCTION
The collection contains an undated letter given to the Native Sons of Kansas City by Kenneth L. Browne describing a spring dance and other events occurring in Kansas City.

DONOR INFORMATION
The collection was donated to the University of Missouri as part of the collection of the Native Sons of Greater Kansas City on 7/17/1990 (Accession No. KA0590).

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH
Kenneth L. Browne was born in 1861 in Kansas City, Missouri. He became a prominent citizen of Kansas City, Kansas, serving in administrative positions at Commercial National Bank of Kansas City, Kansas, and Security National Bank of Kansas City, Missouri.

The letter in this collection may have been written or received by a relative of Browne. Browne’s father, Lawrence P. Browne, was a native of Pennsylvania who migrated to Kansas City, Missouri, in 1845.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE
The collection consists of a letter to an unknown recipient. The letter, dated May 9, describes a spring dance on a boat named Michigan and notes the low water level in river and various strangers in town. The letter is signed “Amigo,” giving no clear indication of the letter’s author.

The collection includes the original handwritten letter and a transcript. The transcript dates the letter 1853, though there is no indication on the original letter as to why that date is given on the transcript. There is no year included with the date on the original letter.

PREFERRED CITATION
Specific item; box number; folder number; Kenneth L. Browne Collection (K0534); The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Kansas City [after first mention may be abbreviated to SHSMO-KC].
FOLDER LIST

f. 1 “Amigo” letter, n.d.

LOCATION NOTE
Materials in this collection are housed onsite.

SUBJECT TERMS
Balls (Parties)
Dance
Kansas City (Mo.) – Description and travel