

Guide to the William John Shuey Papers

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The purpose of this finding aid is to help you understand the nature of this collection and to assist you in the retrieval of material from this collection. The following pages contain a brief biographical history of the person, or persons, who created or collected these papers, followed by a general description of the collection in the scope and content note. If more detailed information is warranted then series descriptions also appear. The container listing appears last and is the listing of material in each box, or container, of this collection. To request material you need to turn to the container listing section. It is essentially a listing of file folders, or artifact items, in the collection. Each folder, or item, has a call number associated with it. Each folder also lists the inclusive dates of the material in the folder. On the material request form list both the call number and the folder, or item, title. Use a different line for each folder, or item, requested. When your request sheet is complete, or full, bring it to the archivist and the material will be retrieved.

Biographical Note

William John Shuey (1827-1920) was a minister in the Church of the United Brethren in Christ. He was born on February 9, 1827 in Miamisburg, Montgomery County, Ohio, to Adam Shuey and Hannah Aley Shuey. He entered the active ministry with the United Brethren Church in 1849, and was appointed to his first charge at Lewisburg, Preble County, Ohio. In the autumn of 1851, he was transferred to Cincinnati, where he served the church for seven years. He was twice elected presiding elder in the Miami Conference of his church, and served two years as pastor of the First United Brethren Church of Dayton.

In 1855, Shuey visited Freetown, in Sierra Leone, for the purpose of locating a mission. In 1864, he was elected one of the agents of the United Brethren publishing house. Shuey helped to found a theological seminary - Union Theological Seminary in Dayton.

Shuey married Sarah Berger on March 7, 1848. They had four sons, three of whom survived to adulthood. William John Shuey died in 1920.

Scope Note

This collection contains a Bible Society record book and financial records. There is also a journal belonging to William John Shuey beginning January 1855, when he departed for Africa, and ending in July 1855, when he returned to the United States. The journal is accompanied by several handwritten pages of reminiscences.

Arrangement

Material has been arranged in the following manner. The collection is arranged according to record type and then chronologically within the folders.

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding this collection.

Restrictions on Use

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Subject Terms

Subject Names - Corporate

Church of the United Brethren in Christ (New constitution)

Subject Topics

Missionaries

Missions-Africa

Slavery.

Subject Geographic

Africa

Ohio.

Genre

Articles

Financial records

Journals

Reminiscences.

Occupations

Minister.

Container List

Call Number	Folder Title	Date(s)
1554-5-6:1	Financial Records	1855-1889
1554-5-6:2	Journal	1855
1554-5-6:3	Reminiscences	1855
1554-5-6:4	Miscellaneous	1882
1554-6-3:1	Montgomery County Bible Society Record Book	1822-1886