

# Guide to the Jacob Hartzler Collection

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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

Jacob Hartzler (1833- 1915) was licensed to preach with the Evangelical Association, Central Pennsylvania Conference, in 1856. He served several pastoral assignments before his assignment as editor of the Evangelical Messenger in 1870. In 1880 he moved to Japan where he learned Japanese and was assigned to the Bible Translating Committee. In 1886 he was elected president of the Japanese branch of the Evangelical Alliance, and in 1887 he served as pastor of the Union Church in Tokyo. In the split of the Evangelical Association Hartzler moved with the United Evangelical Church and became an elder in 1894. Hartzler was superannuated in 1911 and died at York, Pennsylvania, 1915.

### Scope Note

This collection contains material from Hartzler's years in Japan. Included are sermons and sermon notes, a journal of sermons, speeches, and cultural/social/historical observations of Japan, a handwritten book in Japanese script with drawings, and two ledgers used for translation notes. Some of the sermon notes were found in Broadus " Commentary on Matthew," which was in Hartzler's library. There is an oversized photograph which includes Hartzler, his wife and Japanese women.

### Arrangement

Material has been arranged in the following manner. There are few dates in the materials, so the collection is arranged only by material type. Some of the sermons are in Japanese, some in English, and the sermon notes are in English. The authorship of the handwritten book is unknown.

### Related Material

Mission Biographical files as found in the Methodist Center Library.

### Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding this collection.

### Restrictions on Use

Detailed use restrictions relating to our collections can be requested from the office of the archivist at the General Commission on Archives and History. Photocopying is handled by the staff and may be limited in certain instances. Before using any material for publication from this collection a formal request for permission to publish is expected and required.

## Preferred Citation

When citing material from this collection please use the following format: Direct reference to the item or its file folder, Jacob Hartzler Collection, United Methodist Church Archives - GCAH, Madison, New Jersey. Do not make use of the item's call number as that is not a stable descriptor.

## Subject Terms

### *Subject Names - Corporate*

Evangelical Association of North America

### *Subject Topics*

Missions.

### *Subject Geographic*

Japan.

### *Genre*

Journals

Photographs

Sermons.

Speeches

### *Occupations*

Editor.

Minister

## Container List

Call Number	Folder Title	Date(s)
1344-2-5:1	Sermons	1885-1886
1344-2-5:2	Sermon notes	Undated
1344-2-5:3	Handwritten book	Undated
1344-2-5:4	Journal	1881-1888
1344-2-5:5	Translation workbook	Undated
1344-2-5:6	Translation workbook	Undated
1344-1-4:1	Photograph	Undated