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COLLECTION REGISTER

Name: Tudor, William Van Bergen (1832-1916) MC 2005.2

Material: Papers (1880-1938)

Volume: 0.25 linear feet (1 Document Box)

Donation: Gift of E. E. Overholt

Usage: These materials have been donated without restrictions on usage.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

William Van Bergen Tudor was born on May 3, 1832 in Baltimore, Maryland. He graduated from Dickinson College in 1850 and earned a Doctor of Divinity degree from Centenary College in Louisiana in 1872. In 1871, a year before his graduation from Centenary, Tudor married a woman from Washington, D.C., named Minnie Morsell. Tudor was a member of the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church from 1855 to 1862. In 1862, he joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South as a member of the St. Louis Conference. He remained there until 1886, when he became a member of the Virginia Conference and the pastor of the Granby Street Church in Norfolk, Virginia. He left that congregation in 1890 and between 1890 and 1899 served consecutively as the pastor of the Broad Street Church (Richmond, Virginia), the Cumberland Street Church (Norfolk, Virginia), and the Centenary Church (Richmond, Virginia). According to his wife’s obituary, Tudor also founded the Mt. Vernon Place Church in Washington, D.C., at some point in his career. In 1899, Tudor became the presiding elder of the West Richmond district. William Tudor died seventeen years later in 1916 in Washington, D.C.

COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

The William Van Bergen Tudor collection is housed in one box and is divided into two series: Sermons and Miscellaneous. The Sermons series contains sermon notebooks and loose sermons written by Tudor. These items are arranged in numerical order according to Tudor’s original numbering scheme. When known, the Bible verse on which a sermon is based is included in the inventory.
The second series in this collection is made up of miscellaneous papers. This series includes an essay on cultivation, as well as letters both to and from William Tudor. Also in the series is a poem written by William Tudor and a ballad written for the Tudor family. In addition, this series contains a transcription of an obituary for Mrs. Minnie Morsell Tudor that was written by E. E. Overholt.

COLLECTION INVENTORY

BOX 1 - MC 2005.2

SERMONS
Folder 01) Sermon Book Vol. 4
Folder 02) Sermon Book Vol. 5
Folder 03) Sermon Book Vol. 8
Folder 04) Sermon Book Vol. 10
Folder 05) Sermon Book Vol. 12
Folder 06) Sermon 19, Rom. 10.17
Folder 07) Sermon 20, John 15.5
Folder 08) Sermon 21, 2 Peter 3.10 and John 14.3
Folder 09) Sermon 22, 2 Peter 1.4
Folder 10) Sermon 23, Rom. 5.10
Folder 11) Sermon 24, Heb. 2.3
Folder 12) Sermon 25, Eph. 2.12
Folder 13) Sermon 26, Philipp. 3.14
Folder 14) Sermon 28, 1 Peter 1.16
Folder 15) Sermon 30, “A Sketch of Man”
Folder 16) Sermon 31, “Reminiscences”
Folder 17) Sermon 39, “The Ministry of Poverty”
Folder 18) Sermon 70, “Sermon at Sea”

MISCELLANEOUS
Folder 19) Essay on cultivation by William Tudor
Folder 20) Poem by William Tudor
Folder 21) Ballad written for Rev. and Mrs. W. V. Tudor – Mar. 27, 1888
Folder 22) Letter by William Tudor – Oct. 19, 1880
Folder 24) Obituary for Mrs. Minnie Morsell Tudor – May 26, 1938

This collection register was prepared by Thomas Flynn, November 2005.