

# Detroit Conference United Methodist Archives



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## Elisha Ezra Caster Personal Papers, 1857-1914

### **Biographical Note:**

Rev. E. E. Caster was born 19 March 1835 in Galen, New York and died in Plymouth, Michigan on 15 March 15 1914. He entered the Detroit Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1857 on probation and in 1859 in full connection. Caster served many churches from throughout the Conference and also six years as superintendent of the Bay City District.

### **Scope Note:**

Half of the collection consists of diaries. The ones covering 1863-1870 cover his years of service at Marquette, Flint Garland Street, and Detroit Lafayette Street. A later volume covering 1884-1891, includes coverage of a summer abroad visiting Great Britain, Egypt, and the Holy Land.

### **Extent:**

0.4 linear feet (ca. 800 pages)

### **Access Restrictions:**

The collection is open to research.

### **Restrictions on Use:**

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## Conference Appointments

- 1857-1858: Byron
- 1858-1859: Middlebury
- 1859-1860: Corunna
- 1860-1861: Owosso
- 1862-1863: Bay City
- 1863-1864: Marquette
- 1865-1866: Flint Garland Street
- 1867-1869: Detroit Lafayette Street
- 1870-1872: Detroit Jefferson Avenue
- 1873-1874: Romeo
- 1875-1877: East Saginaw Jefferson Street
- 1878-1880: Fenton
- 1881-1882: Supernumerary Relation
- 1882-1884: Parshallville
- 1885-1886: Gaines
- 1887-1888: Presiding Elder, Alpena District
- 1888-1892: Presiding Elder, Bay City District
- 1893-1898: Milford
- 1899-1900: Howell
- 1901-1904: Chelsea
- 1905-1906: Detroit Fourteenth Avenue (assistant pastor)
- 1907-1908: Springwells
- 1908-1909: Lima (superannuated in 1910)

## Contents List

Container	Contents
Box 1	Autograph Book of Ella Caster, 1883-1890 Book Plate Book Plate Certificates, 1857-1861 Diaries 1863-1864 1865-1866 1867-1868 1869-1870 1884-1891 Financial Records, 1865-1866 and 1905-1914 New Clipping on his Departure from Howell, 1901 Photograph of the Family, 1889 Poem for Golden Wedding Anniversary, 1913