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John Wesley Loose

Personal Papers, 1871-1889

Biographical Note:

John Wesley Loose was born 26 July 1851. He was the son of an Evangelical preacher, as well as the grandson of one of the founders of the denomination, John Dreisbach. Growing up in Ohio, his family moved to Michigan in 1862. At the age of nineteen, he felt the call to preach and after being licensed to preach, he was appointed to the St. Joseph Circuit in 1871. He also preached at Raisinville, Marshall and Litchfield, the Lima Circuit, Jackson, Wauseon, Carleton, Erie and Whiteford, Litchfield, the Park Circuit, and Vicksburg. He built the original church at Vicksburg. Rev. Loose also served as conference treasurer and an examiner of junior preachers. Upon his death, on 22 January 1937, John Wesley Loose was the oldest licensed preacher in the Michigan Conference of the Evangelical Association.

Scope Note:

This collection consists of personal diaries covering an eighteen-year span.

Extent:

0.8 linear feet (ca. 1,600 pages)

Access Restrictions:

The collection is open to research.

Restrictions on Use:

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Appointments List

- 1871-1872: St. Joseph Circuit EV
- 1872-1873: Raisinville
- 1873-1874: Colon EV
- 1874-1875: Marshall & Litchfield EV
- 1875-1876: Lima (IN) Circuit EV
- 1876-1879: Jackson EV
- 1878-1880: Wauseon (OH) EV
- 1881-1882: Erie EV
- 1882-1883: Carleton EV
- 1883-1885: Erie EV
- 1885-1887: Litchfield EV
- 1887-1888: Park EV
- 1889-1890: Vicksburg EV
- 1882-1884: Erie & Whiteford
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- 1887-1889: Park Circuit
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- 1890-1893: Unassigned Itinerant Elder
- 1893-1937: Retired

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