

**ROBB, R. H. (ROBERT HENRY), 1852-1937.  
R. H. Robb collection, 1877-1968, undated**

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**Creator:** Robb, R. H. (Robert Henry), 1852-1937.  
**Title:** R. H. Robb collection, 1877-1968, undated  
**Call Number:** Manuscript Collection No. 340  
**Extent:** 0.17 cubic ft. (1 box)  
**Abstract:** Contains a biographical sketch of Robb, certificates of ordination as deacon and elder of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and several published and unpublished works by Robb.  
**Language:** Materials entirely in English.

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**Collection Description**

**Biographical Note**

Robert Henry Robb was born on February 25, 1852 in Tyrone County, Ireland. He immigrated to the United States at the age of eighteen. In 1875, he joined the Georgia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church and served as a circuit rider in the North Georgia mountains.

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Robb retired from the active ministry after 42 years of service. During this time, he represented the Georgia Conference at the 1900 General Conference, served on the Methodist Episcopal Church's Board of Missions for four years, and was a member of the 1891 Ecumenical Conference on Methodism. After retirement, he spent several years as the financial agent for the Conference Claimants Endowment Fund of the Georgia Conference. At his final annual conference, he voted in favor of the Plan of Methodist Union which eventually united the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the Methodist Protestant Church.

Robb was the author of *A Biographical Sketch of Rev. James Lowry Fowler: The Hero of the Reorganization in Georgia*, *Character Sketches: Some Early Official Members of the Georgia Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church*, and *A Memorial Tribute to Rev. James Mitchell, D.D.*

Robert Henry Robb died in Atlanta on March 10, 1937. He was buried in Atlanta's West View Cemetery. His only child, James Lindsey Robb, was a president of Tennessee Wesleyan College in Athens, Tennessee.

Source of biographical information: "Biographical Sketch," Box 1, Folder 1, R. H. Robb collection, MSS 340, Archives and Manuscripts Department, Pitts Theology Library, Emory University.

### **Scope and Content Note**

The R.H. Robb collection consists of a biographical sketch of Robb, certificates of ordination as deacon and elder of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and several published and unpublished works by Robb. Also included is *Story of Our Tour: England, Scotland, and Ireland*, a travelogue by Robb's son James Lindsey Robb, which contains a photograph of R. H. Robb.

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## Container List

Box	Folder	Content
1	1	Biographical Sketch, 1937
1	2	Ordination Certificates, 1877, 1879
1	3	<i>Story of Our Tour: England, Scotland, and Ireland</i> by James Lindsey Robb, 1968
1	4	Writings, <i>A Biographical Sketch of Rev. James Lowry Fowler</i> , undated
1	5	Writings, <i>A Memorial Tribute to Rev. James Mitchell, D.D.</i> , 1906
1	6	Writings, <i>The Lyons Family of Tyrone County, Ireland</i> , undated
1	7	Writings, <i>My First Circuit</i> , undated
1	8	Writings, <i>My Life Work</i> , undated

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