

BROTHERTON, LEVI, 1810-1893.

Levi Brotherton papers, 1832-1919

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Descriptive Summary

Creator: Brotherton, Levi, 1810-1893.
Title: Levi Brotherton papers, 1832-1919
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 313
Extent: .167 linear ft. (1 partial box)
Abstract: Papers of Georgia and Tennessee pioneer and Methodist minister Levi Brotherton and his family.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

Administrative Information

Restrictions on Access

Unrestricted access.

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Related Materials in Other Repositories

Levi Brotherton diaries, Whitfield-Murray Historical Society. Microfilm copy of diaries is located at Shorter College Museum and Archives, Rome (Ga.) and the Georgia Dept. of Archives and History.

Related Materials in This Repository

William H. Brotherton papers

Source

Gift of Margaret Beutell, 1956. Additions were donated by Mrs. Charles Harrison in 1974.

Custodial History

Beutell is the great-granddaughter of Levi Brotherton and the granddaughter of William Brotherton (William H. Brotherton Collection #278). Mrs. Charles Harrison is Margaret Beutell's sister.

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Citation

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Appraisal Note

Acquired as part of the Rose Library's holdings in Georgia history and Methodist history.

Processing

Processed by MRD, December 13, 1965

Collection Description**Biographical Note**

Levi Brotherton (October 8, 1810-November 22, 1893) was born in Greene County, East Tennessee and died in Atlanta, Georgia. His father, John T. Brotherton, moved to Blount County, Tennessee in 1824. Levi lived with his parents until 1833. In that year he received his license to exhort and went into the Cherokee Indian Nation. He remained there five years until the Indians were pushed westward. Near Dalton, Levi got his license to preach in 1837; was ordained deacon in 1842 at Knoxville; was ordained elder at Madison, Ga. in 1848. In the same year he and his family moved to Dalton, Ga. Levi was married twice. His first wife, Winnie Epperson, whom he married in 1834, left four children when she died in 1848. He married Martha Ann Gudger in 1850. She died in 1885, leaving five children. Levi Brotherton was among the earliest pioneers in Dalton, Ga., where he built the first church and the second residence in the community. See Cooper, "Story of Georgia," Vol. 6, p. 293. He wrote and published the booklet, *A Condensed Sketch of the Methodist Church in North Georgia and Lower East Tennessee Beginning in the Year 1835*, a copy of which is included in folder 4 of the collection.

Scope and Content Note

The collection contains papers of Levi Brotherton from 1832-1919, including correspondence, documents, certificates and licenses, a notebook, receipts and bills, genealogical information, and a pamphlet. The collection consists of 33 letters and cards, addressed mainly to Levi Brotherton, one of which is from Bishop James O. Andrew (Covington., Ga.) July 26, 1850; 22 documents including church letters, certificates of military commission, authorization to exhort, licenses to preach, judgment for debt, a Confederate "Treasury Warrant," a military pass for the Brotherton family, September 15, 1863, business license, way bills, and a rental agreement. Other items include a small notebook of sermon texts, 33 receipts and bills, 35 items of genealogical and family interest including plans for his burial and an obituary notice written by Levi Brotherton and a list of information to be entered in the family Bible of W. H. Brotherton. Included also is an Official Guide to Atlanta including information of the Cotton States and International Exposition, 1895. A picture of W. H. Brotherton, police commissioner, appears on page 50.

Arrangement Note

Arranged by record type.

Container List

Box	Folder	Content
1	1	Correspondence, 1837-1849, 17 items, 18 pieces
1	2	Correspondence, 1850-1919, 16 items, 19 pieces
1	3	Forms and legal documents, 1832-1871, 21 items, 21 pieces
1	4	Sermon notes, texts, and booklet, 4 items, 4 pieces
1	5	Receipts, 1866-1882, undated, 33 items, 33 pieces
1	6	Genealogical data and "Official Guide to Atlanta... 1895", 35 items, 42 pieces
