

# **KEENER, JOHN CHRISTIAN, 1819-1906.**

## **John Christian Keener papers, 1864-1865**

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### **Descriptive Summary**

**Creator:** Keener, John Christian, 1819-1906.  
**Title:** John Christian Keener papers, 1864-1865  
**Call Number:** Manuscript Collection No. 204  
**Extent:** .25 linear ft. (1 box)  
**Abstract:** Correspondence and military orders related to the return of property to the Methodist Church, South, including correspondence and military orders.  
**Language:** Materials entirely in English.

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### **Administrative Information**

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#### **Source**

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#### **Citation**

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#### **Processing**

Processed by SS, 1971.

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### **Collection Description**

#### **Biographical Note**

John Christian Keener (February 7, 1819-January 19, 1906), Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was born in Baltimore, Maryland; and educated at Wilbraham Academy and

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Wesleyan University in Middletown, Connecticut. After his graduation in 1835, he spent six years working with his father in the business of wholesale drugs. He then went to Alabama where in 1842 he was licensed to preach. He was assigned to the New Orleans Conference in 1848 and remained there until his death. He was editor of the *New Orleans Christian Advocate* from 1877-1870 when he was elected a Bishop of the M. E. Church, South. Keener was founder of the Central Mexico Mission. In 1898 he retired from active church work and spent his time writing. His works include *Post Oak Circuit*, *Studies of Bible Truths*, and *The Garden of Eden and the Flood*.

**Scope and Content Note**

The collection consists of papers relating to Bishop John Christian Kenner from 1864-1865. The collection concerns the return of New Orleans property confiscated by the Union armies to the Methodist Church, South, including demands for reparations. The collection contains general and special orders issued from the Louisiana division of the Department of War and correspondence to Bishop Keener from J.B. Walker, pastor of one of the confiscated churches, and J. Lovell, assistant adjutant general of the Department of Louisiana. The collection also contains several references to African American congregations and includes a comprehensive report on churches in New Orleans.

**Arrangement Note**

Unprocessed collection.

## Container List

<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Content</b>
1	1	General and special orders, correspondence, and report, 1864-1865

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