

Title: Keene, David, D.D. Papers

Reference Code: Mss-0759

Inclusive Dates: 1852 – 1872, 2000

Quantity: 000.4 cu. ft.

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Abstract: David Keene was born in March 1820 into a family of yeoman farmers in Somerset, England. He was taken from his home as a maimed infant and returned home only one year before his mother died. By October 1833, David was sent to Mr. Derham of Yatton as an apprentice tailor. David emigrated to the United States in 1842, eventually making his way to Wisconsin, where he undertook religious studies at Nashotah House. In 1847 he traveled to Milwaukee to help build a new church – St. John’s Episcopal Church – on Milwaukee’s south side. He served as rector of St. John’s for 39 years, finally stepping down from active work in 1886. He passed away on February 23, 1893.

Scope and Content: The collection consists of marriage certificates (1852-1872) from weddings presided over by Rev. Keene at St. John’s Episcopal Church and four bound volumes containing Keene family letters written from 1830 to 1900.

Access and Use: No restrictions

Language: English

Notes: Material donated by Francis Chute, July 2009

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Arrangement:

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