William G. Rhoads diary, 1858
MC.975.01.057
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### Preferred Citation

William G. Rhoads (MC.975.01.057), Quaker & Special Collections, Haverford College, Haverford, PA.
Biographical note

William G. Rhoads (1838-1880) was born on March 26, 1838 in Philadelphia, Pa, the son of Samuel Rhoads and Anne Gibbons Rhoads. He attended Haverford College, but because Haverford did not have a Scientific Department until 1858, he never received his degree. William G. Rhoads worked with a shipbuilding firm until he discovered that the company was involved in war work at which point he resigned his post. He then became involved in the plumbing business.

In 1866, Rhoads married Sarah Wistar. The couple had six children; Lydia Wistar Rhoads (1868-1948), Jane Gibbons Morris (1870-1950), Ethel Rhoads Potts (1871-1962), Edward Rhoads (1873-1903), William Rhoads (1876-1960), Samuel Rhoads (1878-1930).

Rhoads died on April 28, 1880 from inflammatory rheumatism at the age of 42.

Scope and Content note

This collection is composed of the single, handwritten diary of William G. Rhoads. The first pages ask a series of questions concerning moral behavior and manners, which Rhoads subsequently answers in each entry. Entries also detail Rhoads's apprenticeship as a book keeper, social calls, and Quaker meetings he attended.

Administrative Information

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