Sarah Frances Smiley diary, 1857-1859
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Biographical note

Sarah Frances Smiley was born in Vassalboro, ME. She was brought among Quakers, became convinced, and joined Friends at an unknown date. In 1866, she was recorded a minister. Smiley wrote an evangelical essay, “Who is He? An appeal to those who regard with any doubt the name of Jesus...” in 1868. She withdrew from Friends, resigned her membership, and received water baptism in New York in 1872, though she did not join another denomination. Sarah Frances Smiley died at about 87, in 1917.

Source: Dictionary of Quaker Biography

Scope and Content note

This collection includes two original, handwritten diaries of Sarah Frances Smiley. The first diary is dated the summer of 1857, the second dated 1859. Entries describe Quaker meetings, and Smiley’s ongoing struggles with her religious conviction and her dedication to God.

Administrative Information

Publication Information
Haverford College Quaker & Special Collections July 2015

Use Restrictions
Standard Federal Copyright Law Applies (U.S. Title 17).

Acquisition
Unknown.

Processing Information
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Related Materials

Related Materials

- MC 950.303 Essays, sermons, & lectures
- MC 975.05.009 Sarah Frances smiley signature album
- MC 1177 Addition to the Cadbury-Brown papers
- MC 1170 Cope-Evans family papers
- MC 1113 Smiley family papers

Controlled Access Headings

Genre(s)

- Diaries.
- Quakers -- Diaries

Subject(s)

- Quaker women -- United States
- Quakers--History
- Women clergy--United States--Diaries
- Women in religion
# Collection Inventory

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