

Mennonite Library and Archives
Bethel College
North Newton, Kansas

D. Adolf Ellenberger Papers 1870-1889

Overview of the Collection

ID: MS.406
Extent: .4 cu. ft. (one legal Hollinger box)
Names of creators: Ellenberger, D. Adolf (1846-1889)

Biography of D. Adolf Ellenberger

Born 27 March 1846, Friedelsheim, Palatinate. Died 13 August 1889, Monsheim, Palatinate. Parents Jakob Ellenberger and Lisette Blickensdörfer.

"Studied theology at the Mission House in Basel, Switzerland, where he learned to know Michael Landes of Albertshausen, a fellow student. During a visit at Albertshausen he met Michael's sister Marie, whom he later married. He was minister at the Monsheim Mennonite church.

"After Adolf's early death, Marie and the children went to Gelchsheim, Bavaria, to live in the home of her sister Babette, Frau Heinrich Horsch. She lived there until 1907 when she and her youngest daughter, Selma, moved to Würzburg to live with her son, Heinrich, who was teaching there." Additional children included Jakob, Adolf, Lydia, and Elizabeth. Lydia and Elizabeth moved to Halstead, Kansas, in the early 1900s, and married Mueller brothers. In 1911 when Marie died, Selma, joined Elizabeth's family, with which she lived until her death in 1963.

Scope and Contents of the Collection

sermons by Ellenberger at Monsheim; also 2 devotional books that he owned

System of arrangement: unprocessed

Access points:
Mennonites - Clergy
Mennonites - Germany

Languages and scripts of the material:
German

Administrative Information

Conditions governing access: open for research

Immediate source of acquisition: 3 Apr 1997. Donated by Amelia Mueller (granddaughter).

Accruals:

Other notes:
Related materials: MS.384 papers of his daughter Selma Ellenberger; MS 343 papers of his daughter Elizabeth

MLA.MS.406 D. Adolf Ellenberger (1846-1889)

Ellneberger Mueller - also papers of some of his grandchildren such as Amelia Mueller (MS.343) and Hilda Mueller Shaum (MS.390)

Detailed Description of the Collection

Box	Folder	Contents
-----	--------	----------

1		Sermons (1 folder)
---	--	--------------------

Books

Palmblätter von Karl Gerok, 1864, inscribed to A. Ellenberger, 1865

Schafacchen enthaltend biblische Betrachtungen von Johannes Bosner, Leipzig, 1832, inscription 1861

Large format hymnal, *Nach oben geistliche Lieder für eine mittlere Singstimme*, von H. Roose, Basel, 1907

Notebooks (several of these probably belonged to Adolf Ellenberger's son Adolf)

Manuscript notebook probably belonging to Marie Landes Ellenberger, wife of Adolf. It references Heinrich Landes, born 1790, as my father. Anna Marie Landes was born March 24, 1847, and married Adolf Ellenberger, born March 27, 1846.

Large manuscript notebook inscribed to Adolf Ellenberger and beginning with a quotation from Martin Luther

Large notebook with inscription to A. Ellenberger containing typescript of *Die Juaenfrage*. 31 pp., undated

Very small notebook with inscription to A. Ellenberger on back cover, *Geschiechtsauszag Sudersammlung*, 1862

Notebook containing manuscript copies of several hymns/songs (perhaps belonged to Selma or her brother Adolf)

Lengthy undated notebook inscribed to A. Ellenberger and entitled, *Die Treue des Herrn*, 1st Thess. 5:24. (Perhaps related to Adolf's theological studies)

Lengthy undated notebook inscribed to A. Ellenberger, entitle *Die Apostelgeschichte*, von Lucas. (Perhaps Bible commentary)