

Maritime Conference Archives

Finding Aid FI-1

Rev. David Sutherland fonds

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Reference Number: FI/1

Title: Rev. David Sutherland fonds

Dates: 1885-1897

Extent: 1.5 cm of textual records

Biographical History: David Sutherland was born in Bruan, Caithnessshire, Scotland in 1859 to Alexander Sutherland. He received his education at the University of Edinburgh, New College, and the Presbyterian College in Halifax, N.S. It was in Nova Scotia that he married Mary Ellen (Minnie) Weatherbie with whom he had 4 children. Ordained in 1888 by the Maritime Synod of Halifax Presbytery, he served in Grove Church, Richmond, Halifax, N.S. for a short while. He was inducted in Zion Presbyterian Church, Charlottetown, PEI on December 18, 1889 and was minister of the church until his death. Rev. Sutherland passed away on July 8, 1898 after an illness of several weeks. His funeral was held on July 10, 1898.

Sutherland wrote for the Christian Leader of Edinburgh, Zion's Herald and Observer in New York, and the Interior of Chicago.

Sources: *The Presbyterian Witness*, Halifax, Vol. XL, Nos 29 to 32 and Public Archives and Records Office of Prince Edward Island.

Custodial History: Book bears a stamp "from the Library of L.S. Bonnell." It is presumed that the diary arrived in the archival collections at Pine Hill Divinity Hall prior to 1968 when formal accessioning of records began. According to the oral history of a descendant, the diary was given as a gift from Rev. Sutherland's son to L.S. Bonnell.

Scope and Content: Fonds consists of a diary (1885-1887) and account book of Rev. David Sutherland (1885-1897). The diary records articles written and published; sermons preached at various churches in Scotland and Nova Scotia; and financial accounts.

Notes:

Source of Supplied Title Proper: Title based on contents of fonds.

Accruals: No further accruals are expected.

Immediate Source of Acquisition: It is presumed that the diary arrived in the archival collections at Pine Hill Divinity Hall prior to 1968 when formal accessioning of records began.

Associated Materials: The Public Archives and Records office of Prince Edward Island holds a microfilm copy of Rev. Sutherland's register of visitations and alphabetical list of families in 1890 as well as his yearly diary and clerical record from 1891-1894; 1896 containing records of speaking engagements, marriages, burials, and baptisms performed, and place, date, and subject of sermons preached and salary received. The Presbyterian Church in Canada Archives also holds copies of Rev. Sutherland's diaries on microfilm.

File List:

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FI/1/6	Diary (1885-1887) and accounts (1885-1897), 239 pp	1885-1897