John W. Powell Collection
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**Summary Information**

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Biography

Rev. John Walker Powell was born March 22, 1872, in Blue Earth, Minnesota. He became a pastor and served in multiple Minnesota communities. He then worked as a lecturer at the University of Minnesota, teaching classes in English and Biblical literature. He also wrote an unpublished manuscript entitled "Isaiah". In 1940, after spending 50 years at the university, he retired. That spring, he was invited to give the baccalaureate speech to honor his many years of service to the university. He died in 1953 in Minneapolis.

Collection Description

One box. The Rev. John W. Powell Collection consists biographical clippings, an obituary, and a baccalaureate speech delivered at University of Minnesota on June 9, 1940. It also includes a bound handwritten manuscript entitled Isaiah.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

James K. Hosmer Special Collections Library

Related Materials

Related Materials

See also:

Confessions of a Browning Lover, by John Powell. Call Number: Adult Nonfiction Book, 820.2 B89P.

1918.

Both books are at MN Library Access Center.

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Controlled Access Headings

Subject(s)

- Authors, American -- Minnesota.
- Clergy -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis.
- College teachers -- Minnesota.
## Collection Inventory

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