

**Register of the**

**Sidney Brownsberger Family**  
**Papers**

**(Collection 14)**

**Heritage Room**  
**A Seventh-day Adventist**  
**Archive and Research Center**  
**James White Library**  
**Andrews University**  
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# Sidney Brownsberger Family Papers Collection 14

## Biographical Information

Sidney Brownsberger was born in Ohio September 20, 1845. He became attracted to Adventist teachings while he was a student at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. He assumed an important role in early Adventist education when he became the first president of Battle Creek College in Michigan (1874-1881) and then the first president of Healdsburg College in California (1882-1887). In 1909 he helped to establish the Asheville Agricultural School and Mountain Sanitarium near Fletcher, North Carolina. He died August 13, 1930, in Fletcher, North Carolina.

## Scope

A collection of documents from the Sidney Brownsberger family. Also included are many items compiled from the writings of Ellen G. White.

## Arrangement

The folders and volumes are referred to as "fld" and "vol." They are numbered on the basis of topical and chronological sequence. To request items in the collection, ask for Collection 14 with box and folder or volume number as indicated in the following inventory.

## Provenance

The Sidney Brownsberger Family Papers were given to the Heritage Room, a Seventh-day Adventist Archive and Research Center, in 1975. They are gifts from Dr. John Brownsberger, son of Sidney Brownsberger, through his wife, Mrs. John (Elsie) Brownsberger, and through his daughter, Mrs. Barbara Casteen. A few items from the family papers which had already been given to the Heritage Room in 1972 and 1973 -- mainly copies of letters written by Ellen G. White -- were reincorporated into the papers.

## Use:

All users of this collection will be required to complete the "Application to Use Unpublished Records," and to observe the regulations specified in the "Patron Agreement" and "Researcher's Code of Conduct." All records in this collection are open and available for research. Citation for this collection:

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**Inventory**

I. Correspondence, n.d. and 1879-1915

- Bx 1 fld 1 n.d. and 1879-1897. 17 items
- Bx 1 fld 2 1900-1909. 7 items
- Bx 1 fld 3 1911. 20 items
- Bx 1 fld 4 1911. 15 items
- Bx 1 fld 5 1912. 16 items
- Bx 1 fld 6 1913. 17 items
- Bx 1 fld 7 1915-1930. 28 items

II. Record Books and Diaries

- Bx 1 fld 8 Journal from 1886-1893. (Page 133 to page 146 is "A Diary of my trip to Cheboygan by Wagon Convoyance.") 1 item
- Bx 1 fld 9 Notebook containing "Memoranda of a few dates of important moves."
- Bx 1 fld 10 Naples Farm School Day book, 1910-1913.
- Bx 1 fld 11 Diaries of Ethel Brownsberger for 1904, 1905, 1907
- Bx 1 fld 12 Autograph album of Edith Donaldson.

III. Manuscripts

- Bx 1 fld 13 Notes and incidents.
- Bx 1 fld 14 Personal experiences, conditions, and impressions in connection with the educational work among Seventh-day Adventists.
- Bx 1 fld 15 Annual report of labor and monthly statement. 2 items
- Bx 1 fld 16 An experience of long ago, by E.K. Sanders and E.D. Brownsberger.
- Bx 1 fld 17 J.S. Killen case. 2 items

IV. Miscellaneous Items

- Bx 1 fld 18 Miscellaneous items.

## V. Material by or Concerning Ellen G. White

## A. Letters Written by Ellen G. White

Bx 1 fld 19 Letters written by Ellen G. White. 1879-1911. 14 items

## B. Manuscript Concerning Ellen G. White

Bx 1 fld 20 Mrs. G. M. Amadon,; Mrs. E. G. White in vision.

## C. Manuscripts Compiled from the Writings of Ellen G. White

Bx 1 fld 21 Statements on Different Subjects.

Bx 1 fld 22 Regarding the Southern Work.

Bx 2 vol 1 Counsels Often Repeated Regarding the Relationship of Brethren in a United, Organized Christian Church. Part One, 1873-1898. St. Helena, Ca.: "Elmshaven" Office, 1933.

Bx 2 vol 2 Counsels Often Repeated Regarding the Relationship of Brethren in a United, Organized Christian Church. Part Two 1899-1913. St. Helena, Ca.: "Elmshaven" Office, 1933.

Bx 2 vol 3 Counsels Relating to certain Phases of Our Medical Work. Excerpts from the Writings of Ellen G. White. Takoma Park, Washington, D.C: Medical Department, General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, 1949.

Bx 2 vol 4 Health and Healing: A Treatise on Medical Missionary Work in the Gospel (Formerly called "Messages to Physicians"). Section Four. Advice to Nurses and Others Who Care for the Sick. N.p., n.d.

Bx 2 vol 5 Instruction for the Church Regarding Past and Future Manifestations of Fanaticism and Deceptive Teachings: Brief Statements Selected from the Manuscripts and Letters of Ellen G. White. St. Helena, Ca.: "Elmshaven" Office, 1933.

Bx 2 vol 6 Messages Regarding Medical Work for the Consideration of Leading Physicians of the Medical Department. N.p., 1925.

Bx 2 vol 7 The Place of Herbs in Rational Therapy Based upon Statements Written by Mrs. E.G. White. St. Helena, Ca.: "Elmshaven" Office, 1934.

Bx 2 vol 8 A Selection of Manuscripts and Letters by Ellen G. White for Leading Men in the Advent Movement. Group "E" Relating to Personal Ministry, Christian Help Work and Medical Evangelism. St. Helena, Ca.: "Elmshaven" Office, 1931.

Bx 2 vol 9 A Selection of Manuscripts and Letters by Ellen G. White for Leading Men in the Advent Movement. Group "D" for Evangelists. St. Helena, Ca.: "Elmshaven" Office, 1931.

Bx 2 vol 10 A Selection of Manuscripts and Letters by Ellen G. White for Leading Men in the Advent Movement. Group "M" Methods of Labor. St. Helena, Ca.: "Elmshaven" Office, 1931.

VI. Bible

Bx 2 vol 11 Bible given to Sidney Brownsberger in 1901 by his former students.

VII. Photographs

Bx 3 vol 1 Small photograph album.

Bx 3 vol 2 Large photograph album.

Bx 3 fld 1 Miscellaneous photographs.

VIII. Correspondence Concerning the Sidney Brownsberger Family and Other Papers

Bx 3 fld 2 Correspondence between Mrs. John Brownsberger and Louise Dederen regarding the Frank Petersen Library, 1972-1973.

Bx 3 fld 3 Correspondence from Barbara Casteen and others regarding the Sidney Brownsberger Family Papers.

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