

**FINDING AID to the**

**EPHRAIM HALL, 1815-1883**  
**DIARY AND DAGUERREOTYPES, 1838-1883**

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## **SCOPE AND CONTENT STATEMENT**

The collection includes a diary with ministerial entries, financial notes, and marriage records and a day book relating his ministerial travels. There are also two daguerreotypes of Ephraim Hall.

## **BIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT**

Ephraim Hall was born in Surrey County, England on Nov. 15, 1815 to William and Elizabeth Hall. The family moved to Evansville, Indiana in 1819. He was licensed to preach in 1838 and was ordained in 1841. For the next few years he was a traveling missionary in Indiana for the presbytery and synod. Then he spent the next fifteen years teaching at Bloomfield, IN. Rev. Hall began preaching in Oct. 1859 at Washington, IN, which he did for the next seven years, after which he retired because of poor health. Toward the end of the 1860s his health was improved and he served as a minister for the Hermon congregation in Knox county, IN. He died on Apr. 18, 1883 in Washington, IN. (Source: The Cumberland Presbyterian, June 14, 1883, page 2 from <http://www.cumberland.org/hfcpc/minister/HallE.htm>).

## **PROVENANCE**

Since Hanover College's roots are in Presbyterianism, many records throughout Indiana have been donated at various times to the Presbyterian Archives of Hanover College. The 1839-1840 day book was donated in 1951 by Minnie Hall to Rev. Mueller and was later transferred by the Synod to Hanover College.

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**SERIES 1    DIARY AND DAGUERREOTYPES, 1838-1883**

Fd. 1            Diary, 1838 Oct.-1883  
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The diary contains some of his ministerial journals dating from Oct. 1838 to 1840, which is the first part of the book. The middle portion of the book has lists of financial records for himself and the Cumberland church. The last part of the book includes lists of marriages performed by Rev. Hall from the period of 1839 to 1861.

Fd. 2            Day Book, 1839 Sep. 24-Aft. 1840 May 3

Fd. 3            Daguerreotype of Ephraim Hall, ca. 1862

Fd. 4            Daguerreotype of Ephraim Hall, ca. 1862