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Samuel Adler Papers

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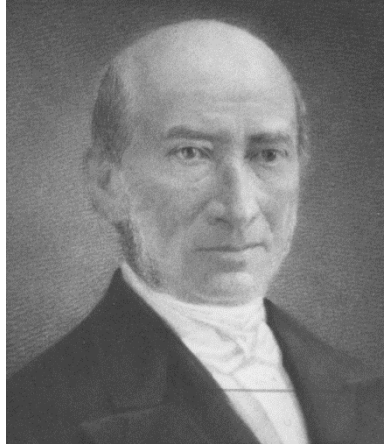
Collection Summary

Title	Samuel Adler Papers
Dates	1856-1873
Collection Number	MS-423
Repository	The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives
Creator	Adler, Samuel, 1809-1891
Extent	0.4 linear feet (1 Hollinger box)
Language of the Material	English, German, and Hebrew

Administrative Information

Biographical Sketch Pioneer rabbi of the Reform movement, talmudist, and prayer book reviser, Adler was born in Worms, Germany, December 3, 1809. He was one of the early advocates of Reform Judaism and attended the rabbinical conferences of 1844-46 in Germany. In 1857, he came to the U.S. as rabbi of Temple Emanu-El in New York City. Adler was one of the founders of the Hebrew Orphan Asylum and was made honorary president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis when it was established in 1889. He died in New York City on June 9, 1891.

Scope and Content Papers consists of correspondence to Adler from various congregations and individuals as well as an English translation of his autobiography.

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Index Terms

Subjects	Jews -- New York (State) -- New York / Rabbis / Reform Judaism
Personal Names	Adler, Samuel, 1809-1891
Corporate Names	Temple Emanu-El (New York, N.Y.)

Series A. General, 1856-1873

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1. Folder 1. Autobiography.

Box 1. Folder 2. Correspondence, 1856-1863

Box 1. Folder 3. Correspondence, 1864-1866

Box 1. Folder 4. Correspondence, 1867-1873

Box 1. Folder 5. Correspondence, undated

Box 1. Folder 6. Miscellaneous.