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 005 Small Manuscripts Collection  
 006 Reverend Lewis Wheeler Wells Collection  
 140 Journals  
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 210 1904  
 220 1896-1900, 1903-1904  
 240 0.19 cf.  
 241 2 volumes in 0.19 box  
 261 Rev. Lewis Wheeler Wells was the rector at St. Mark's Episcopal Church  
 in Millsboro. The Journals are accounts of his daily life and what was  
 going on around him.  
 270 Entries usually show the day, date, and weather information. Subjects  
 include information about other churches and camp meetings in the area,  
 his church services, national and local politics, travels to Georgetown  
 and Rehoboth, ship building, trains, schools, a circus, execution of  
 James Gordy, birth dates of children baptized, Jewish residents, Laurel  
 fire, area mills, visits to the sick, and deaths.  
  
 The 1896-1900 Journal was first used as a record of services (1882) at  
 an unidentified church. It notes the various types of services each  
 day, name of minister presiding, amount of offering, and number of  
 priests, sisters, men, women, communicants, and total in attendance. The  
 1903-1904 Journal was first used as a record of baptisms in the Church  
 of St. Mary the Virgin, New York City. Entries (1876-1881) show the  
 name of the child and parents, name of the sponsors, date of birth,  
 place of residence, name of minister, date and time of baptism.  
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 330 Arranged chronologically by date.  
 331 No index.  
 332 Handwritten.  
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 360 Fair condition. Acid, dirt, storage damage. Loose pages and binding.  
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 430 Part of the first Journal has been transcribed and printed in "The  
 Journals of the Reverend Lewis Wheeler Wells, Rector of St. Mark's  
 Episcopal Church . . ." by Richard B. Carter, published by the Delaware  
 Heritage Press, 2009. A copy is in the box.  
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