

Information Sheet

R **Matkin, William L. H., 1871-1933.**
784 **Memoranda book, ca. 1865-1922.**
 One folder, photocopies and typescript.

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This is the memoranda book of Rev. William L. H. Matkin, a Baptist minister in Madison County, Missouri. Included are notes on persons baptized and married, funerals preached, notations on personal finances, and an inventory of a blacksmith shop.

William L. H. Matkin lived in Marble Creek on the border between Madison and Iron counties, and, later, at Minimum in Iron County. According to notes in the volume, he was pastor at Cedar Bottom Church near Fredericktown and Green's Chapel near Jewett. Matkin died in 1933 and is buried in the Liberty Church Cemetery, also known as Polk Cemetery, in Iron County.

Judging by writing on the inside front cover, a German named Henry G. Kauffman first owned the memoranda book. Matkin seems to have come into possession of the volume in 1899. He filled it with miscellaneous notes on baptisms, marriages, and funerals in which he officiated, items on personal expense and finance, an account of ties made by Charley Lawrence and Alvin Orr, and an inventory of a blacksmith shop in which he may have been involved. There are also miscellaneous notes on weather conditions, gardening, and other topics.

The original volume has been typescripted by the donor, who also compiled a surname index to persons named.

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