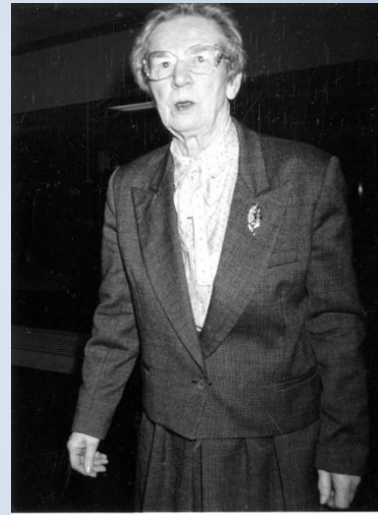


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**(Isaac) Judson and Fernetta Levy fonds**

**Accessions 1987.007 and 2005.053**



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**(Isaac) Judson and Fernetta Levy fonds. – [textual records, graphic material]. – 1933-1984. – 32 cm of textual records. – 1 photograph : b&w ; 25 x 20 cm**

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**Isaac Judson Levy sous-fonds. – 1931 – 1984. – 31 cm of textual records. – 1 photograph : b&w ; 25 x 20 cm**

**1987.007/1/1 Education Records. – 1935 – 1981. – 14 cm of textual records**  
Series consists of records from I. Judson Levy's time as a student.  
**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of file

**1987.007/1/1/1 Acadia University. – 1981. – 1 v. of textual records**  
File contains the booklet from the Acadia University Class of 1931 Golden Anniversary celebrations.  
**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of file

**1987.007/1/1/2 Andover Newton Theological School Records. – 1935 – 1953. – 12 cm of textual records**  
Subseries consists of records created by I. Judson Levy during his postgraduate studies at the Andover Newton Theological School in Boston, Massachusetts.  
**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of subseries

**1987.007/1/1/2/1 Religious Education 6. – 1935 – 1936. – 0.5 cm of textual records**  
File contains course work submitted and notes taken by I. Judson Levy for the "Unit of Lessons for Teaching the Life of Jesus to Intermediates".  
**Note:** Title taken from original folder

**1987.007/1/1/2/2 The Religious Life of Adolescence. – 1935 – 1936. – 0.5 cm of textual records**  
File contains course work submitted and notes taken by I. Judson Levy.  
**Note:** Title taken from original folder

**1987.007/1/1/2/3 Church Organization. – 1935 – 1936. – 1 cm of textual records**  
File contains course work submitted and notes taken by I. Judson Levy  
**Note:** Title taken from original folder

**1987.007/1/1/2/4 Course Work. – 1935 - 1936. – 0.5 cm of textual records**  
File contains papers written by I. Judson Levy for undetermined courses at the Andover Newton Theological School.  
**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of file

**1987.007/1/1/2/5 Theology. – [1943]. – 1 cm of textual records**  
File contains course work submitted and notes taken by I. Judson Levy for an advanced course in Theology taught by a Dr. Ferré.

**Note:** Title taken from original folder

**1987.007/1/1/2/6      The Philosophy of Religion. – 1943 – 1944. – 0.5 cm of textual records**

File contains course work submitted and notes taken by I. Judson Levy for a Philosophy course taught by Dr. Hugh Vernon White.

**Note:** Title taken from original folder

**1987.007/1/1/2/7      American Christianity. – [1943 – 1944]. – 0.5 cm of textual records**

File contains course work submitted and notes taken by I. Judson Levy for a course on Christianity.

**Note:** Title taken from original folder

**1987.007/1/1/2/8      “Baptists and the Modern Ecumenical Movement”. – 1944. – 1 v. of textual records**

File contains an unbound copy of the thesis written by I. Judson Levy as a requirement for the degree of Bachelor of Divinity at Andover Newton Theological School.

**Note:** Title taken from original file

**1987.007/1/1/2/9      Papers. – 1943 - 1951. – 2 cm of textual records**

File contains term papers submitted by I. Judson Levy.

**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of file

**1987.007/1/1/2/10      “The Baptist Conception of the Church”. – 1951. – 1 v. of textual records**

File contains a bound copy of the thesis written by I. Judson Levy as a requirement for the degree of Master of Sacred Theology at the Andover Newton Theological School.

**Note:** Title taken from original folder

**1987.007/1/1/2/12      Alumni. – 1949 – 1953. – 2 v. of textual records**

File contains copies of the Prof. James P. Berkeley and Alumni Issues of the *Andover Newton Bulletin*.

**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of file

**1987.007/1/2      Career Records. – 1931 – 1984. – 14 cm of textual records. – 1 photograph : b&w ; 25 x 20 cm**

Series consists of records pertaining to I. Judson Levy's career as a Baptist Minister and teacher.

**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of series

**1987.007/1/2/1      Baptist Ministry Records. – 1947 – 1979. – 10.5 cm of textual records**

Subseries consists of bulletins, programs, sermons, lectures, and writings from I. Judson Levy's career as a Baptist minister.

**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of subseries

- 1987.007/1/2/1/1**      **Services. – 1947 – 1974. – 2.5 cm of textual records**  
File contains programs and bulletins for church services as well as copies of sermons prepared by I. Judson Levy.  
**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of file
- 1987.007/1/2/1/2**      **Sermon Preparation. – [1958 – 1974]. – 2 cm of textual records**  
File contains reference material, notes, and rough drafts for sermons written by I. Judson Levy.  
**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of file
- 1987.007/1/2/1/3**      **Lectures and talks. – [1947 – 1979]. – 3 cm of textual records**  
File contains copies of lectures and talks delivered by I. Judson Levy.  
**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of file
- 2005.053/1**              **Convocation sermons. - 1965-1974. – 0.25cm of textual records**  
File contains sermons delivered at convocation ceremonies at Acadia University  
**Note:** Title taken from original folder
- 2005.053/2**              **Baccalaureate sermons. - 1966, 1968, 1969, 1972, 1974, 1954. – 0.25cm of textual records**  
File contains sermon delivered at Acadia University  
**Note:** Title taken from original folder
- 2005.053/3**              **Prayers of dedication. – 1966-1972. – 0.25cm of textual records**  
File contains prayers of dedication for Eaton House, Chase Court, Huggins Science Hall, and Student Centre, at Acadia University  
**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of file
- 2005.053/4**              **Sermon notes. – [19-?], 1969-1974. – 0.25cm of textual records**  
File contains sermon notes from services given at Acadia University  
**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of file
- 2006.053/5**              **Membership notes for the Manning Memorial Chapel. - 1954-1964. – 0.25cm of textual records**  
File contains information on membership and baptism at the Manning Memorial Chapel, Acadia University  
**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of file

- 1987.007/1/2/1/4**      ***Come, Let Us Worship.* – 1979. – 1 cm of textual records**  
File contains correspondence and information regarding a book concerning public worship in churches written by Dr. I. Judson Levy and published in 1979 titled *Come, Let Us Worship*.  
**Note:** Title taken from original folder
- 1987.007/1/2/1/5**      **Writings. – [19-?]. – 2 cm of textual records**  
File contains papers written by I. Judson Levy on the Baptist Church, some of which were published.  
**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of file
- 1987.007/1/2/2**      **Maritime Religious Education Council Records. – 1931 – 1984. – 1 cm of textual records. – 1 photograph : b&w ; 25 x 20 cm**  
File contains correspondence, reports, and ephemera from the Maritime Religious Education Council (M.R.E.C.). Photograph depicts the board of the M.R.E.C. in 1954.  
**Note:** Title taken from original folder
- 1987.007/1/2/3**      **Teaching. – [19-]. – 1 cm of textual records**  
File contains lecture notes and assignments for a correspondence course called Baptist History and the Polity taught by I. Judson Levy at the Acadia Divinity College.  
**Note:** Title taken from original folder
- 1987.007/1/3**      **Miscellaneous Records. [19-?]. – 3 cm of textual records**  
File contains miscellaneous notes, clippings, booklets, pamphlets, and ephemera.  
**Note:** Title taken from original folder
- Fernetta Levy sous-fonds. – 1933 – 1980. – 1 cm of textual records**
- 1987.007/2/1**      **Baptist Young People's Union (B.Y.P.U.) Writings. – 1933 – 1938. – 0.5 cm of textual records**  
File contains copies of speeches, published articles and other writings by Fernetta Levy regarding the B.Y.P.U. convention.  
Note: Note on original folder: "Fern's speeches, newsclippings reps of B.Y.P.U. convention in the 1930s"
- 1987.007/2/2**      **Baptist Young People's Union. – 1950 – 1980. – 0.5 cm of textual records**  
File contains a comprehensive list of past presidents and executive members of the B.Y.P.U. written in 1980, as well as a program from the Baptist World Alliance World Congress in Cleveland Ohio, 1950.

### Biographical Sketch – Isaac Judson Levy

Nova Scotia on July 15, 1907. He received his preparatory education in Sherwood School after which he entered Acadia and received a Bachelor of Arts in Theology in 1931. He continued his education at Andover Newton Theology School in Boston, Massachusetts, where he received a Bachelor of Divinity in 1944 and a Master of Sacred Theology in 1951. He received an honorary doctorate from Acadia University in 1956.

I. Judson Levy worked as a Boys' Work Secretary of the Maritime Religious Education Council from 1931 to 1935. He became the pastor of the United Baptist Church in Sussex, N.B. in 1936 and married Fernetta Geraldine Barchard of Elgin, N.B. (then living in Saint John) on August 5, 1939. In 1940 the couple moved to Charlottetown, P.E.I., where Judson was pastor until 1947 when he became pastor of the First Baptist Church in Moncton, N.B. He subsequently pastored in St. Catherines and Hamilton, Ontario but returned to the Maritimes to assume the position of University Chaplain at Acadia University from 1964 to 1975. During this time he occasionally taught courses at the Acadia Divinity College.

Beyond his duties as pastor, I. Judson Levy was active in the Baptist community. He was a founding member of The Atlantic Seminar in Theological Education and following his retirement from Acadia University was editor of the newsletter for the Atlantic Baptist Fellowship. He was also the author of four books, listed below, and was life president of Acadia University class of 1931.

Judson Levy's publications, all available at the Vaughan Memorial Library of Acadia University, are:

*In the Shepherd's Care and other sermons.* [Moncton], NB: Trust Moncton United Baptist Church. Men's Brotherhood, [1955?]

**This New Day.** Windsor, NS: Lancelot Press, 1972

**Teach Us to Pray.** St. Stephen, NB: Print 'N Press Ltd., c. 1983

**Come, Let us Worship: A guide for public worship.** St. Stephen, NB: Print 'N Press Ltd., c. 1983

I. Judson Levy died at the age of 85 on October 16, 1992 in Windsor, Nova Scotia.

### Biographical Sketch – Fernetta Levy

A native of Elgin, NB, Fernetta Levy studied at the New Brunswick Teachers' College and the Saint John Business College. Afterwards, she taught in both public and business schools. She later studied at Andover Theological School while her husband, I. Judson, was doing post-graduate work there.

Later in life she was a member of the Councils of the Baptist Convention of the Atlantic Provinces, the Baptist Federation of Canada, the Canadian Baptist Overseas Mission Board, and the United Baptist Women's Missionary Union (U.B.W.M.U.). She was the president of the North American Baptist Women's Union, U.B.W.M.U., the Nova Scotia District of the Canadian Bible Society (the first woman to serve in this capacity), and was the first Canadian woman to be a vice-president of the United Bible Societies.

Fernetta Levy received an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Acadia University in 1979, the first woman to do so and the first woman to deliver the Baccalaureate sermon. Fernetta Levy died in Truro, Nova Scotia, on 12 July 2004.

### Custodial History

At the time of the compilation of this finding aid, Judson Levy's records were found in the same boxes as those of his brother George Levy. George Levy's papers had been transferred to the executor of his estate following his death in 1981. It is thought that the executor, Ed. Eagles, went through George's papers and discarded some as he thought appropriate. He then donated them to the Acadia University Archives on 31 August 1987.

It is unclear whether the records of Judson and Fernetta Levy's were included with this donation. Perhaps, but if not, at some point their records were combined with that donated by Eagles.

During processing in 2003, the Archivist separated Judson's records from George's and created two distinct fonds.

### Scope and Content

The fonds contains the correspondence, reference material, published writings, and miscellaneous records of I. Judson and Fernetta Levy.

The fonds consists of two sous-fonds:

#### **I. Judson Levy sous-fonds:**

The sous-fonds consists of 3 series:

1. Education records
2. Career records
3. Miscellaneous records

#### **Fernetta Levy sous-fonds:**

The sous-fonds consists of two files

### Notes

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### Citation for this electronic finding aid:

This finding aid should be cited as a website. Relevant information is as follows:

Title: Judson and Fernetta Levy

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### Access Points

Levy, Isaac Judson

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