



## Mason Deane P. Williams Papers, 1840-1850 MSS 24

### Overview

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### Collection Information:

#### Scope and Content Note

Mason Deane P. Williams Papers includes sermons given while Williams was the pastor of the 4th Presbyterian Church in Louisville, KY. There are also speeches and speech fragments from Williams while a student at Hanover College and Madison University. During Williams' academic studies, he also took notes of lectures from Drs. Alexander, Hodge, Mathews, and Miller. Topics are wide-ranging, but include theology, law, Presbyterian doctrine, and baptism, future of man, college societies, benevolence, government, foreign relations, worship, and death.

#### Historical Information

Mason Deane P. Williams was born in Shelby County, Indiana on 7 October 1821. He received his A.B. from Madison University in 1844, an A.B. degree from Miami University in Ohio in 1845, and an A.M. from Hanover College in 1847. Williams attended New Albany Theological Seminary from 1844-45 and Princeton Theological Seminary from 1845-1847. He was ordained as a Presbyterian minister on 14 January 1848 in Louisville, Kentucky. He served as a pastor of the 4th Presbyterian Church in Louisville, KY from 1848 to 1852. He died at age thirty on 26 April 1852 in Louisville.

### Administrative Information:

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**Container List**

Box	Folder	Folder Title	Dates	Notes
1	1	Lecture Notes	ca. 1846	Topics: Theology; Didactic theology; angels; fallen angels; state of man; principle of law; will of God; sin of Adam; church government; Egyptian period of Ante- Mosaic Period; baptism; justification; sanctification; eschatology; purgatory; resurrection; sacraments; pastoral theology; Holy Spirit; moral law; and atonement; People: Dr. Alexander; Dr. Hodge; Dr. Mathews; Dr. Miller
1	2	Sermons and speeches from Hanover College and Madison University	1840 - 1847	Topics; Isaiah 33.14; power of prayer; effects of Christian missions; Quomodo Christus Sacerdotium perficit; testimony of fathers; mission work; People: Rev. James Towner; Mason Williams
1	3	Sermons by Mason Williams	1847	Report for Society of Inquiry; Heb. 12:25-8, Critical Exercise; Luke 13:6-10, Barren Fig Tree; Romans 12; Matt. 23:37-8, Jerusalem Sinner; Come buy milk without money; Heb. 11:, He please God; Acts 17:20-1; Letter from Williams to Brother Knott; 1 Pet. 5:7, Casting all your care on Him; Heb. 2:3, How shall we escape; Luke 14:18?, I pray thee have me excused; John 3:16, God so loved the world; Heb. 12:25, See that ye refuse not him; Isa. 28:16, I lay in Zion a foundation stone; Luke 15:11-24, The Prodigal Son; Rev. 1:5-6; Acts 24:25; Matt 11:28, Come unto me all ye that labor; Heb. 12:1-3, Olympic Games as metaphor; Gal. 6:14; Adam: Prominent Bible Characters; John 3:7, Ye must be born again; John 1:29, Behold the Lamb of God; Ps. 147:20, Thanksgiving Sermon; Mark 16:26, What is a man profited is he gain the whole world; Matt. 11:30, My yoke is easy and burden is light; Isa. 40:31, They that wait on the Lord; Prov. 13:15, The way of transgression is hard; Luke 17:17, Were there not ten cleansed?

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1	4	Sermons by Mason Williams	1848	1 Pet. 4:18 If the righteous scarcely be saved; Ps. 115:1 & John 15:12, Love one another; Ezek. 33:11, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; 1 Cor. 15:58, Be ye steadfast, unmovable; Rom. 8:8, If any man have not the Spirit of Christ; 2 Cor. 7:10, Godly sorrow worketh repentance; John 5:7;14:2; John 3:15, Son of Man must be lifted up; 22 Rom. 8:1, Walk not after the flesh but the spirit; Matt. 7:24-7
1	5	Sermons by Mason Williams	1849	2 Kgs. 5:10, Go wash in Jordan seven times; Gal. 2:19, Thou believest there is one God; John 8:44, Personality of Satan; Matt. 25:46, These go away into everlasting punishment; Josh. 7:11-13; Hosea 11:7, Degrees of backsliding; Ps. 126:6, Bringing his sheaves with him; Acts. 2:39, Infant Baptism; Isa. 26:9, When thy judgements are abroad in the earth; Col. 1:21-22, You, who were sometimes alienated; Luke 16:31, If they hear not Moses and the prophets; Eze. 33:8, O wicked man thou shalt surely die; 2 Cor. 3:3; 2 Tim. 3:15, From a child thou hast known the holy scriptures; Doctrine of Election; 1 Cor. 15:14, If Christ be not risen from the dead, then our preaching is vain; Matt. 7:21, Not everyone that saith unto me Lord, Lord shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; Rom. 8:7, The carnal mind is enmity against God; James 5:16, The effectual fervent prayer of the righteous availeth much; Ps. 90:12, So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom
1	6	Sermons by Mason Williams	1850	Rom. 8:28; All things work together for good to those that love God; 2 Cor. 3:18, Assimilation of Character; Gal. 6:7, The Reaping as the Sowing; John 5:6, Wilt thou be made whole?; Ps. 118:1, Thanksgiving Discourse; Gal. 3:23, Wherefore then serveth the Law; 2 Cor. 5:14, Love of Christ constraining us; Num. 10:29, Christians are pilgrims; Num. 23:23, What hath God wrought?

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1	7	Sermons and speeches	undated	Signs of hatred to Christ; Atonement; Scholars of the Sabbath Schools of Jeffersonville, Independence Day and religious fathers; Campbellism and the American Restoration movement; speech to fellow members of a society on the importance of worship for future well-being; "What is a man profiteth if he should gain the whole world", Matt. 16:26 Untitled speech on society, army and navy, mutiny, foreign relations, and benevolence; speech titled "Anonymous" discussing religion, death, nature, and the future of the nation; speech "Indifference of objects of sense" on the five senses and the mind; Literary imprisonments; essay on memory and reminiscence; Association of Benevolent Effort; Church history; essay on life; untitled essay on the Bible and happiness; essay on Martin Luther; The analogy of religion to the Constitution; "For God so loved the world", John 3:16; "The wages of sin is death", Rom. 6:33; Progression by Mary Fitch, Phil. 3:13-15; Law—Its Necessity; Law—Its Necessity (copy 2); The Claims of Law; speech comparing the president of a literary society to a military chieftain; essay on Jesus Christ; Rejoinder from a debate on immigration in the United States
1	8	Sermons and speeches		Climactic order of nature; Mind is immortal; "Has he shown that Catholicism is no enemy?"; What does reason teach?; is foreign emigration dangerous to the interests of the Republic?; How does Christ execute the office of a Priest?; Grieve not the Holy Ghost; What shall we learn from the history of Noah?; Isa. 55:1-3; In conversion and sanctification does the Spirit of God operate on persons only through the word? ;Controversy on Campbellism; Luke 16:19-31; Acts 17:16; "How may this life be attained; Luke 18:10; Matt. 11:25; "The wages of sin is death" from Rom. 6:23; Acts 5:2; Isa. 55:1-3; The Spirit of Christianity; Design of Christian baptism; Synod of Dort; Socinians; Ps. 145:3