



Edward J. Hamilton Papers, 1853-1917

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Overview

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Scope and Content Note

The Edward J. Hamilton Papers, 1853-1917, includes materials collected and created by Edward J. Hamilton during his study and work as a pastor. The first four volumes are note taken by Hamilton of the lectures of Dr. A. Alexander and Hodge's theological course given from 1853 to 1858 at Princeton Theological Seminary. The lectures are on church history and follow topics from the Old and New Testament, early Christian history, and the rise of various churches after the Reformation. The last volume in the collection is Hamilton's pastoral diary for about a twenty-year period, primarily focused on sermons and inspirational thoughts.

Historical Information

Edward John Hamilton was born in Belfast, Ireland on 29 November 1834. He graduated with a bachelor's degree at Hanover College in 1853 and received an A. M. degree there in 1856. Hamilton also studied at the Princeton Theological Seminary, the Union Theological Seminary, and Monmouth College. He was licensed to preach in 1858 and was ordained at Nassau, NY the same year. He began teaching at Hanover College in 1868. He later worked at Princeton University and Washington State University teaching Logic, Ethics, and Politics at Princeton. He died in Berlin, Germany on 29 November 1918.

Administrative Information:

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Container List

Box	Folder	Folder Title	Dates	Notes
1	1	Notebook from Dr. A. Alexander's Lectures on Church History at Princeton Theological Seminary	September 29, 1853	The structure of Church History, canon, eras of Judaism: Pentateuch, Prophets, and Poets. Proofs of prophecy, Ark, flood, Patriarchs, Abraham, Moses as Levite author, David, Palestine, Canaan, Phoenicians, Jacob, Egyptian and Babylonian slavery of Jews, native poor, Sinai, first diaspora to Petra, Manna, The Mosaic Law and German theology, Promised Land conquest. Joshua and Salvation. Judges and Law, The Kingdoms, Schism, Idolatry, Hezekiah, Isaiah, Minor prophets. Rise of Greece, Roman impact on Israel Maccabees. Gospels given, rabbinical schools, Jesus as Jew, miracles Paul, papacy, Josephus, Reformation, Fathers, persecution, Gnostics. Apostasy
1	2	Notebook from Dr. A. Alexander's Lectures on Church History at Princeton Theological Seminary	November 4, 1856	Book of Acts using exegesis, Life of Saul/Paul, Missions, Acts as related to Luke, Great Commission, Resurrection, Kingdom of God, Palestine, Samaria, Israel, Apostolic Succession, Pentecost, Holy Spirit, Hellenism, Church its nature and purpose, Political system effects on Church, Josephus. Essenes, Christology, Devil, Peter, John, Eucharist, Crucifixion

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1	3	Notebook from Dr. A. Alexander's Lectures on Church History at Princeton Theological Seminary	September 9, 1857	Church History; Eastern and Western Church, Nestorians, Monophysites, Constantine, Schisms, Waldensians, Hussites, Reformation, Calvin, Presbyterianism and Scotland, Romanism and Paul, Nicene Council, Popes, Clement I, Dionysius, Stephen, Leo, Justinian, Attila, Pepin and Charlemagne, Anselm, Hildebrandt, Innocent III, Boniface 8 th , Leo 10 th , Swiss Reformation, Counter Reformation, Martin Luther, Germany, Knox, Cromwell
1	4	Notebook entitled "Answers to Questions on Hodge's Theology,	1857-8	Salvation and Theology; Soteriology; Covenant as an agreement in faith it is between God and man; Conditions of Salvation; Determinism; Calvinism; Redemption; meritorious Works of Christ; Knowledge and Intention; Predestination; Abrahamic Covenant; Christology; Gnosticism; Methodism Atonement; Vocation as works
1	5	Pastoral Diary	1859	Poems; Essays: "The Praying Master", "The Heavens", "Year 1", "Islamism", "Hold On, Let Go"- a Horse Story; "Extemporizing"- self-analysis, Biography: "John Johnstone"; Letter to Mrs. Walter Mood; musings on faith, story entitled "The Undecided Bubbles"; Stories to illustrate sermons, proverbs
1	6	Financial Records	1864	Receipts, Letter from Hamilton to President Millis of Hanover College regarding debt owed by George Logan; 1864 ledger sheet
1	7	Correspondence	1876-1917	Correspondents: John H. Holliday; Topics: establishment of a philosophical chair at Hanover; Hamilton's annual report to the Board of Trustees; list of publications; poems; Hamilton's philosophical system; imagination, knowledge and reality; James McCosh; philosopher William James