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Guide to the Oliver Ellsworth Daggett Papers

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: RG 114

CREATOR: Daggett, O. E. (Oliver Ellsworth), 1810-1880

TITLE: Oliver Ellsworth Daggett Papers

DATES: 1826-1880

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 4 linear feet (8 boxes)

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: Record books, sermons, writings, and notes document Daggett's ministry and his education and teaching at Yale. Oliver Ellsworth Daggett (1810-1880) served as a Congregational clergyman in Connecticut and New York from 1837 to 1877. He was Chittenden Professor of Divinity and college pastor at Yale from 1867 to 1870.

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Requesting Instructions

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

Preferred Citation

Oliver Ellsworth Daggett Papers (RG 114), Special Collections, Yale Divinity School Library.

Biographical / Historical

Date	Event
1810	○ Born in New Haven, Connecticut
1828	○ B.A., Yale College
1834	○ B.D. Yale Divinity School
1837-1843	○ Minister at South Church, Hartford, Connecticut
1845-1867	○ Minister at First Congregational Church, Canandaigua, New York
1853	○ D.D., Hamilton College
1867-1870	○ Chittendon Professor of Divinity and college pastor at Yale
1871-1877	○ Minister at Second Congregational Church, New London, Connecticut
1872-1880	○ Fellow, Yale College
1877-1880	○ Resident of Hartford, Connecticut
1880	○ Died

Scope and Contents

This record group provides thorough documentation of the career of a prominent Yale-trained Congregational clergyman of the nineteenth century. Systematic registers of sermons preached and services performed are available, as well as more than 350 full sermons manuscripts and more than 1400 sermon outlines. Notes from Daggett's students years at Yale and sermons from his years as college pastor provide insight into the religious climate at the University.

Arrangement

- I. Record Books, 1832-1875
- II. Sermons, Addresses, and Writings, 1833-1876, n.d.
- III. Notes and Notebooks, 1826-1880
- IV. Personal Items and Memorabilia, 1872, n.d.

Collection Contents

Series I: Record Books, 1832-1875

b. 1, f. 1	Register of sermon manuscripts: No. 1-361; first delivered 1832-1875. Title and text of sermon listed by Daggett's numbering system with locations and dates preached indicated.
b. 1, f. 2	Register of sermon outlines ("extemporaneous or unwritten sermons"): No. 1-1420; register begun in 183, undated towards end. Title and text of sermon outlines listed by a separate numbering sequence; some locations and dates indicated.
b. 1, f. 3	Register of Sabbaths and other services: 1833-1880; chronological record of Daggett's preaching activities indicating location and number of sermon manuscript or outline used.
b. 1, f. 4	Register of official services in the Church of Christ in Yale College during pastorate of Daggett: 1867 Oct. 31 to 1870 Jul. 18

Series II: Sermons, Addresses, and Writings, 1833-1876, n.d.

Sermon manuscripts

b. 1, f. 5-8	Numbered according to Daggett's system: 1-15
b. 2, f. 9-18	No. 16-76
b. 3, f. 19-29	No. 77-163
b. 4, f. 30-39	No. 164-234
b. 5, f. 40-49	No. 235-307
b. 6, f. 50-57	No. 308-360; three unnumbered sermons

Sermon outlines

b. 6, f. 58-59	Numbered according to Daggett's system: No. 1-119
b. 7, f. 60-67	No. 201-1000
b. 8, f. 68-72	No. 1001-1419

Lectures and Addresses

b. 8, f. 73	Address at the laying of the cornerstone of the Plymouth Church of Rochester.	Sept. 8, 1833
b. 8, f. 73	American Poetry	March 22, 1843
b. 8, f. 73	Address to pupils of Canandaigua Academy	July 1, 1845
b. 8, f. 73	Address to pupils of Ontario Female Seminary	June 10, 1846
b. 8, f. 73	The Authority of Civil Government	July 3, 1846
b. 8, f. 74	Major Andre	February 9, 1854
b. 8, f. 74	Address at Bernis Hall	January 18, 1855
b. 8, f. 74	The Model Young Man	December 24, 1857
b. 8, f. 74	Ladies and Gentlemen	February 1, 1859
b. 8, f. 75	The Seer in the Seen	March 1, 1860
b. 8, f. 75	Address at the funeral of Captain Chas. M. Wheeler	July 26, 1863
b. 8, f. 75	A Charge to the People	May 9, 1865
b. 8, f. 75	Address on the 200th anniversary of the first church in New London, Connecticut	October 19, 1870
b. 8, f. 75	Address at Mr. Haven's funeral	May 3, 1876
b. 9, f. 76	Dreams	n.d.
b. 8, f. 76	Spiritualism	n.d.

Articles and exposition of Biblical texts

b. 9, f. 77 The Permanent and the Temporary in Scripture

b. 9, f. 77 Because of the Angels

b. 9, f. 77 An Exegesis of Acts 26:28

b. 9, f. 77 An Interpretation of Acts 26:28

b. 9, f. 77 An Exposition of Ephesians

Series III: Notes, 1826-1880

b. 9, f. 78	Volume containing "Lectures of Prof. Olmstead on Natural Philosophy" and "Quotations from Prose and Poetry and Remarks of living persons"	1826-1827
b. 9, f. 78	"Disputes" on various questions	1826-1828
b. 9, f. 79	Lecture notes: arranged chronologically	1851-1880
b. 9, f. 80	Notes for Bible classes	1838, 1847
b. 9, f. 81	Notes Related to Psalms and Hymns	
b. 9, f. 82	Notes regarding "Percentage of Professors of Religion"	

Series IV: Personal Items and Memorabilia, 1872, n.d

b. 9, f. 83	Statistics of pastorates of OED	
b. 9, f. 83	List of OED articles in the <i>Independent</i>	
b. 9, f. 83	Form of service for extension of "Right Hand of Fellowship"	
b. 9, f. 83	Copy of letter written by former prisoner to friend still in prison	1872

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects

Clergy

Names

Daggett, O. E. (Oliver Ellsworth), 1810-1880

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