



# The Alexander P. Silliman Manuscript Collection

## Collection Summary

**Creator:** Princeton Theological Seminary. Library. Special Collections  
**Dates:** 1844-1890; 1975-1989  
**Extent:** 1 box (0.3 linear feet)  
**Language(s):** English  
**Repository:** Princeton Theological Seminary Libraries. Special Collections.

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## Chronology

1818 June 19	Born, York District, South Carolina
1845	Graduated, College of New Jersey (now Princeton University)
1845-1848	Student, Princeton Theological Seminary
1848-1849	Stated supply, Oak Grove and Pleasant Ridge, Alabama
1850 April 15	Ordained, Presbytery of Tuscaloosa
1850-1859	Pastor, Hebron and Ebenezer
1859-1866	Pastor, Ebenezer
1867-1868	Agent, Southern Publishing Company, Lauderdale, Mississippi
1868-1870	Stated supply, Rusk and Palestine, Texas
1870-1876	Pastor, Marshall
1877-1878	Evangelist, Marshall
1879-1890	Bible agent and missionary
1890 January 1	Died, Charleston, South Carolina

## **Biographical Information**

Alexander Perry Silliman was born in the York District of South Carolina, June 19, 1818. He graduated from the College of New Jersey (now Princeton University) in 1845, and from Princeton Theological Seminary in 1848. Ordained by the Presbytery of Tuscaloosa, he was a Presbyterian pastor and evangelist for many years. He died in Charleston, South Carolina on January 9, 1890.

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## **Scope and Content**

This collection consists of material by and about Alexander Silliman. It includes journals, personal notes, course notes, correspondence, and biographical materials.

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## **Subjects**

Silliman, Alexander Perry, 1818-1890--Archives.

Princeton Theological Seminary--Alumni and alumnae--Archives.

Princeton Theological Seminary. Library. Manuscript collections.

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## **Administrative Information**

### **Processing Information**

The primary sources of Alexander Silliman included in this collection were donated to the Seminary Libraries on June 5, 1975 by his granddaughter, Mrs. Dorothy Milling (Morgan) Parnell. Other material related to Silliman was added to the collection from Seminary files.

This collection was organized and the original finding aid was written in the spring of 1993 by Douglas F. Denné under the direction of William O. Harris, Archivist. The finding aid was updated in August 1996 by Raymond Cannata, and edited in March of 2009 by Sarah Seraphin.

### **Access**

There are no special restrictions to access of this collection. It may be examined by library patrons under the normal rules and conditions of Special Collections.

## Use of Materials

The following is the acceptable citation for publication: The Alexander P. Silliman Manuscript Collection. Special Collections, Princeton Theological Seminary Library.

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## Related Material

See also the following materials in Special Collections:

[The Charles Hodge Manuscript Collection](#) (for notes produced by Silliman From Charles Hodge's Didactic Theology lectures, 1846-1847.)

See also:

The Princeton Historical Society Silliman Collection (Princeton Seminary 1:2), (for clothing and other items donated by the Seminary in 1989.)

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## Contents

### Box 1

- 1:1 Journal of personal entries, sermon and discourse notes (A. Alexander, J.A. Alexander, C. Hodge, President Carnahan of the College of New Jersey, and others), and notes from published works. (Dec. 1844-April 1846)
  - 1:2 Correspondence re the Silliman collection. 1975-1989
  - 1:3 Correspondence from Silliman to Charles A. Aiken. (photocopy) April 24, 1890
  - 1:4 Correspondence from Silliman to W.E. Schenck. (photocopy) March 7, 1881
  - 1:5 Biographical materials from Seminary archival files.
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