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# The John Clark Bayless Manuscript Collection

## Collection Summary

**Creator:** Bayless, John Clark, 1819-1875  
**Dates:** 1838-1865  
**Extent:** 1 Box (0.3 linear feet)  
**Language(s):** English  
**Repository:** Princeton Theological Seminary Libraries. Special Collections.

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## Chronology

1819 January 7	Born, Louisville, Kentucky
1836	Graduated, Central College, Danville, Kentucky
1838-1841	Student, Princeton Theological Seminary
1841 September 23	Ordained, evangelist, Presbytery of Louisville
1841-1842	Stated supply, Cloverport, Kentucky
1842-1844	Pastor, Jeffersonville, Indiana
1844-1854	Pastor, Covington, Kentucky
1854-1866	Missionary and stated supply, Bethesda Church (Ashland)
1860	Awarded honorary Doctor of Divinity, Centre College, Kentucky
1866-1875	Missionary, Grayson, Kentucky
1875 May 23	Died, Grayson, Kentucky

## Biographical Information

The Reverend John Clark Bayless (1819-1875) was born in Louisville, Kentucky. He was educated at Centre College (Kentucky), and Princeton Seminary (class

of 1841). He was ordained Evangelist by the Presbytery of Louisville and subsequently served several Presbyterian churches in Kentucky and Indiana as pastor and stated supply. He was awarded an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree by Centre College in 1860.

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## **Scope and Content**

This collection contains sermon manuscripts and correspondence by the Reverend Bayless. Most of the letters have also been transcribed, with typescripts enclosed. Several of these letters are written to his parents while he was a student at Princeton and record his personal thoughts on the Seminary.

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## **Subjects**

Bayless, John Clark, 1819-1875--Manuscripts.

Princeton Theological Seminary. Library. Manuscript collections.

Presbyterian Church--Sermons.

Sermons, American.

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## **Administrative Information**

### **Processing Information**

These papers were given to the Seminary by Mrs. Therese Landsdowne Duple of Sarasota, FL, granddaughter of the Reverend Bayless, sometime around February of 1982. These papers were organized as an Archives manuscript collection in October of 1996.

### **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 John Clark Bayless Manuscript Collection. Special Collections, Princeton Theological Seminary Library.

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## Related Material

See also, John Clark Bayless (1841) file in the Archive's alumni biographical record collection.

John Clark Bayless, 1819 - 1875: A Kentucky Evangelist, by Therese Landsdowne Duple (Baltimore, Md: Gateway Press, 1982). Call number: BX9225.B445 D8 1982

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## Contents

### Box 1

- 1:1 Copy of finding aid
  - 1:2 6 sermons, 1845-1862
  - 1:3 6 letters to his mother from Centre College, Kentucky, with typescript copies. January 1835- December 1838
  - 1:4 6 letters to his parents from Princeton Seminary, with typescripts copies. September 1837 - January 1841
  - 1:5 3 letters to his father, 1845
  - 1:6 Miscellaneous correspondence, 4 letters. 1850-1865
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