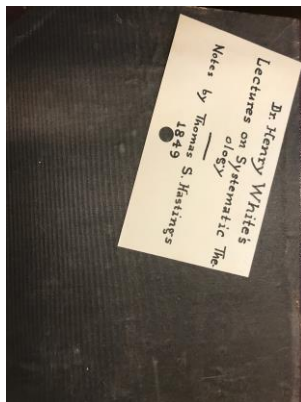


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Finding Aid for

**Henry White Papers, 1842 – 1849**



White's Theology -- Notes by Thomas Hastings. UTS1: Henry White Papers, 1842-1849, Series 1, Box 2. The Burke Library at Union Theological Seminary, Columbia University in the City of New York.

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**Summary Information**

Creator: Henry White, 1800 – 1850  
Title: Henry White Papers, 1842-1849  
Inclusive dates: 1842 – 1849  
Bulk dates: 1842 – 1849  
Abstract: Pastor at several New York area Presbyterian churches, Professor of Systematic Theology at UTS from 1836-1850. Collection contains four bound volumes of lectures notes compiled by students, from lectures in systematic theology given from 1842-1849.  
Size: 2 boxes, 1.0 linear feet  
Storage: Onsite storage  
Repository: The Burke Library  
Union Theological Seminary  
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New York, NY 10027  
Email: [burkespecial@library.columbia.edu](mailto:burkespecial@library.columbia.edu)

### Administrative Information

- Provenance:** The material deriving from 1842 was donated by Gale Huntington, of the Thomas Cooke House and Museum, 1964, while 1849 material donated by University of Oklahoma Libraries.
- Access:** Archival papers are available to registered readers for consultation by appointment only. Please contact archives staff by email to [burkespecial@library.columbia.edu](mailto:burkespecial@library.columbia.edu), or by postal mail to The Burke Library address on page 1, as far in advance as possible  
Burke Library staff is available for inquiries or to request a consultation on archival or special collections research.
- Access Restrictions:** The collection is unrestricted to readers. However, these papers are currently undergoing preservation and may require special care/restrictions when handling. (c. 6/6/2018)
- Preferred Citation:** Item description, UTS: Henry White Papers, series #, box #, and folder #, The Burke Library at Union Theological Seminary, Columbia University in the City of New York.

### Biography

Henry White was born in Durham, New York on June 19<sup>th</sup>, 1800. Born to a working-class farm family, White distinguished himself at Greencastle Academy, earning the attention of the American Education Society, which helped fund his college education at Union College. After earning a degree with high distinction, White completed graduate study in Theology at Princeton University, taking a degree in 1826.

That year, White was licensed to preach by the Presbytery of Columbia, and began doing so at the Allen Street Church in New York City. Two years later, in 1828, White became an active member of the group working to found Union Theological Seminary, and was appointed as Union's first Professor of Systematic Theology. For the remainder of his life, White served Union in this role, becoming a popular lecturer at Union, and remaining there despite being offered professorships at competing institutions. Henry White passed away on August 25, 1850.

### Collection Scope and Content Note

This collection contains four volumes of lecture notes taken by White's students at Union Theological Seminary, 1842-1849. Included are four bound volumes of lecture notes, taken by four different students (one anonymous). These volumes provide a window into White's popular lectures in Systematic Theology throughout his tenure at UTS.

The collection is organized in one series:

- **Series 1: Lecture Notes, 1842-1849 (2 boxes, 1.00 lin. ft.)**  
This series contains lecture notes taken by four of White's students at Union Theological Seminary.

**Processing**

Metal clips and staples were removed from materials and folded items were flattened. Materials were placed in new acid-free folders and boxes

**Further Sources**

None found.

## Contents list

### **Series 1: Lecture Notes, 1842-1849**

Series	Box	Folder	Contents
1	1	1	"Didactic Theology", notes by David Hall. 1842
1	1	2	"White's Theology Lectures", anonymous notes. 1844
1	2	1	"Lectures by Dr. White", notes by J. Emerson Swallow, 1846
1	2	2	"White's Theology", notes by Thomas Hastings, 1849.