ANOVER NEWTON THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL
FRANKLIN TRASK LIBRARY
SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

TITLE OF COLLECTION:

Jacob Davis Papers

DONOR:

LINEAR SHELF FEET: 10 inches  NUMBER OF ITEMS: 76

LOCATION: c.s.
Mss.
1991-3

Biography

Jacob Davis was born in Dighton, MA, August 16, 1812. After his conversion as a young man he felt called to ministry and began a course of study by himself, while continuing work at his trade of masonry and building construction. Some sources indicate that he studied at Andover Theological Seminary ca.1838; however, there is no record of his enrollment in school records.

He was licensed to preach by North Baptist Church, Dorchester, MA. For several years he served as a pulpit supply in area churches and continued working in his trade. He was ordained as pastor of the Baptist church in North Marshfield, MA, in 1863. He had succeeding pastorates in Florida, MA, 1870-1878, and Rowe, MA, 1878-1889.

Upon his retirement he returned to Marshfield, where he died October 22, 1903.

Scope and Content

The Jacob Davis Papers, 1844-1901, primarily document his professional work. The collection is arranged according to the following categories: diaries (1868-1886), correspondence (1844-1901), sermons (1860-1882), addresses and unpublished literary manuscripts.
Diaries
1868-73, 75-86 Individual booklets, numbered each page
1874 Diary in hardback case

Correspondence
Undated:
letter to Sister
fragment addressed to "My dear friend Harriet"
fragment signed "Your aff. son, Geo. Davis"
Warren Scott to Miss H. Davis (Dec 8)

1844
Feb 29 J.P. Blanchard, office of American Peace Society, to JD
Apr 29 J.P. Blanchard to JD

1858
Aug 20 Ahira Holmes (of San Francisco) to JD

1866
Jan 13 G. Davis to Mother

1870
Jul 3 Unknown author (from Providence) to Hattie

1875
Sep 4 G. Davis to Father

1877
Jan 6 Mary Burns to JD

1879
Feb 24 Aunt Carrie (Dorchester) to Hattie

1884
Apr 3 JD to Wilbur Paine
May 2 Geo. Davis to Father
Jun 14 A.W. Ball to JD
Aug 28 Annie Ayer (Providence) to Aunt Hattie

1901
no date JD to Joseph Newton Hallock

Sermons
Undated:
Ps 72:8, Ps 139:21-22, Lk 24:47, Rom 6, 2 Cor 6:1, 2 Tim 1:10, Jas 5:13,
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Reference</th>
<th>Note</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1860</td>
<td>Apr 8</td>
<td>Is 61:2</td>
<td>The Acceptable Year of the Lord.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Apr 8</td>
<td>Is 60:2</td>
<td>The Day of Vengeance of our God.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1861</td>
<td>Jan 6</td>
<td>2 Sam 23:3</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>May 5</td>
<td>Mt 7:12</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>May 5</td>
<td>Lev 19:18</td>
<td>Thou Shalt Love Thy Neighbor as Thyself.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Aug 25</td>
<td>1 Jn 2:12</td>
<td>No Lie is of the Truth.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Sep 8</td>
<td>Eph 3:8</td>
<td>Christ's Riches.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Sep 15</td>
<td>Jn 11:26</td>
<td>The Believer Deathless.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Box 2</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1862</td>
<td>Jan 12</td>
<td>Lk 15:7</td>
<td>The Amiable Young Man.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Jan 12</td>
<td>Mk 10:21</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1863</td>
<td>Aug 16</td>
<td>Jn 1:12</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1866</td>
<td>Aug 26</td>
<td>Mk 6:5</td>
<td>The Injurious Power of Prejudice.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1867</td>
<td>Mar 31</td>
<td>Mt 11:12</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Apr</td>
<td>Zech 7:5</td>
<td>The Object of Fasting.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Jun 9</td>
<td>Heb 12:17</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Aug 18</td>
<td>1 Jn 1:7</td>
<td>Spiritual Light Assures Christian Fellowship.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Sep 29</td>
<td>Jn 6:38</td>
<td>Christ Our Example.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1868</td>
<td>Apr 20</td>
<td>Joel 2:15-17</td>
<td>A Call to Fasting.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1870</td>
<td>May 8</td>
<td>Eph 6:4</td>
<td>Parental Obligation.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1878</td>
<td>Jun 14</td>
<td>Rom 2:4-11</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1879</td>
<td>Aug 17</td>
<td>1 Pet 2:3-4</td>
<td>Coming to the Gracious Lord.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1881</td>
<td>Mar 28</td>
<td>2 Cor 12:10</td>
<td>Essay on the Weakness and Strength</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
1882
Nov 26 Mt 24:42 The Christian’s Duty in Relation to the Second Coming of Christ.
Dec 3 Col 2:16 The Christian’s Duty in Relation to the Sabbath.

Addresses
Undated:
Immortality Revealed.
Immortality. Use of the Word.
What is True Conviction of Sin.

1878
Jun 14 Exegesis of Rom 2:4-11

1892
Dec 19 Is the Sense of Accountability to God Diminishing Among Men in General, and Among Ministers in Particular?

1873

Unpublished Literary Manuscripts

Ah! must I live in torturing despair,...
The Conversion of Saul: What Was Ordinary, and What Extraordinary?
Encouragement for the Sorrowful
Exegesis of 1 Cor 4:3-5
Immortality Revealed
Little children come to Jesus...
O, Saviour Jesus, Son of of (sic) God...
On the Atonement in its Relation to Man.
That Young Couple.

Scientific Notes
Undated:
Littleness and greatness illustrated by Astronomical estimates
Spherical Trigonometry & Problems in Astronomy
Roman Ink Recipe (Inside labeled envelope)
Table containing the areas of the surfaces of the Sun and all the primary planets and the areas of the circles that would cover, or eclipse each, at one mile from the eye placed at the centre of their orbits.
1830
Sep 14 Some Problems & a remarkable Borealis

1868
Feb 13 Humboldt's Cosmos, Volume 1

1880-1882 Meteorological Records

[1885]
Mar Table of Mean Temperature, Max & Min, and Precipitation for Jan. 1879-March 1885 (includes letter to Prof. Winslow Upton)

Miscellaneous Unitemized Notes and Financial Receipts (2 folders)