William Anderson Scott Collection

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Abstract: Rev. Dr. William A. Scott (1813-1885) was a prominent Presbyterian minister in the San Francisco Bay Area. He helped found San Francisco Theological Seminary. He was president of the faculty and board of directors and taught as well. His first congregation included General Andrew Jackson.

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The papers are part of the historical record of the seminary.

Biography/Administrative History
Dr. William Anderson Scott. D.D., LL.D. was born in Rock Creek, Tennessee, on January 31, 1813. He attended Cumberland College, Ky., and graduated in 1833. He attended Princeton Theological Seminary in 1833-34. He received an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from the University of Alabama in 1844, and an honorary Legum Doctor (Doctor of Laws) LL.D. degree from the University of New York in 1872. As minister he served the following: principal of the Female Academy in Winchester, Tennessee, 1838-1840; Hermitage Presbyterian Church, 1835-1837, where Andrew Jackson was a member; First Presbyterian Church in New Orleans, 1842-1854; Calvary Presbyterian Church in San Francisco, 1854-1861; Forty-Second Street Presbyterian Church in New York, 1863-1870; and then back to San Francisco, St. John's Presbyterian Church, and as professor at SFTS until his death in 1885. He conducted and edited the Pacific Expositor. He established and contributed to The Occident, which for many years was the organ of the Presbyterian Church on the Pacific Coast. His books include The Christ of the Apostles Creed, The Voice of the Church against Arianism, Strauss and Renan (1867), The Giant Judge (i.e. Samson, 1858), The Bible and Politics (1859), Esther, The Hebrew-Persian Queen (1859), and Moses and the Pentateuch (1863). [C. M. Drury, William Anderson Scott: No Ordinary Man, 1967.]

Scope and Content of Collection
The collection contains Scott's papers, correspondence with Andrew Jackson, research by biographer Clifford Drury, and recent articles on Scott. Box 1, correspondence with Andrew Jackson (BX9225.S34 A3 1839); boxes 2-5, Drury notes, "No Ordinary" in box 5; box 6, microfilm and print outs; box 7, biography, bibliography, SFTS memories; box 8, Scott papers, 1872-1879; box 9, sermons and addresses, 1835-1855; box 10, papers, 1837-1870, Chimes 1985; box 11, papers and sermons, 1855-1859; box 12, papers, 1830s; box 13, papers ; box 14, sermons ; box 15, sermons 1843-1863; box 16, papers 1860-1872; box 17, papers and clippings, 1837-1870; box 18, Church in the Army, beta of tv episode, leather portfolio, Michael Peterson in front of painting at De Young. Box 19, portraits, family tree, scrapbook; Box 20, scrapbook.

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