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**Biography**

Clifford Merrill Drury had a noteworthy career as a pastor, seminary professor, historian, and Navy chaplain. Born in 1897 in Early, Iowa, Drury was a graduate of Buena Vista College and San Francisco Theological Seminary and earned a PhD from the University of Edinburgh.

**Scope and Content**

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**Personal Names**

Burlingame, Anson, 1820-1870  
Drake, Francis, approximately 1540-1596--Plate of brass  
Drury, Clifford Merrill, 1897-1984  
Wig, Rudolph James, 1883-1968

**Corporate Names**

San Francisco Theological Seminary.

**Subjects**

Protestant churches--California--History  
Religion

**Geographic Areas**
California--Gold discoveries  
California--History  
Drakes Bay (Calif.)

**Genre**
Clippings (information artifacts)  
Letters (correspondence)  
Research notes  
Speeches (documents)  
Typescripts

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| **Folder 1** | Newspaper clippings (1937-1965)  
Drakes Bay (Calif.); Drake, Francis, approximately 1540-1596--Plate of brass |
| **Folder 2** | Drury, Clifford Merrill, 1897-1984 correspondence (1961-1963)  
Drakes Bay (Calif.); Drake, Francis, approximately 1540-1596--Plate of brass |
| **Folder 3** | Drury, Clifford Merrill, 1897-1984. A Chronology of Protestant Beginnings in California [booklet] (1947)  
Protestant churches--California--History |
| **Folder 4** | Drury, Clifford Merrill, 1897-1984 correspondence (1946-1947)  
Protestant churches--California--History |
| **Folder 5** | Ephemera and notes [approx. 1946-1947]  
Protestant churches--California--History |
| **Folder 6** | Drury, Clifford Merrill, 1897-1984 correspondence (1967)  
Wig, Rudolph James, 1883-1968 |
| **Folder 7** | Ephemera and notes [approx. 1967]  
Wig, Rudolph James, 1883-1968 |
| **Folder 8** | Drury, Clifford Merrill, 1897-1984. Rudolph James Wig. Engineer, Pomona College Trustee, Presbyterian Layman by Clifford Merrill Drury, 1897-1984 [fragments (object portions)] (1968)  
Wig, Rudolph James, 1883-1968 |
| **Folder 9** | Drury, Clifford Merrill, 1897-1984. Rudolph James Wig. Engineer, Pomona College Trustee, Presbyterian Layman [typescript] [approx. 1968]  
Wig, Rudolph James, 1883-1968 |
| **Folder 10** | Drury, Clifford Merrill, 1897-1984. The Noble Achievements of Remote Ancestors [speeches (documents)] (1971, Oct. 5)  
Note: Two versions. San Francisco Theological Seminary |
Folder 12  [Drury, Clifford Merrill, 1897-1984]. Chapter Eight. Protestant Beginnings in California [typescript] [undated]
Protestant churches--California--History

Folder 13  [Drury, Clifford Merrill, 1897-1984]. Chapter Ten. The Gold Rush Days [typescript] [undated]
California--Gold discoveries; California--History

Folder 14  [Drury, Clifford Merrill, 1897-1984]. Spire in the Wilderness (incomplete) [typescript] [undated]
California--History; Religion

Folder 15  Miscellaneous. Letter from Sacramento County Free Library to Clifford Merrill Drury, 1897-1984 (1948-1955)
Notes concerning Henry Kendall and Coloma plaque