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**THOMAS EBENEZER THOMAS, 1812-1875**

**COLLECTION, 1848-1913**

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## SCOPE AND CONTENT STATEMENT

The Thomas E. Thomas (1812-75) Collection consists of his inaugural speech as 5<sup>th</sup> president of Hanover College, a speech to the alumni of Miami University, and published books of his correspondence.

## BIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT

Thomas Ebenezer Thomas was born in Chelmsford, England in 1812. He was a graduate of Miami University and taught school at Rising Sun, Indiana and Franklin, Warren Counties, Ohio. He studied for the ministry and his first pastorate was at Harrison, Butler County, Ohio. For ten years he worked as the pastor of the First Presbyterian Church at Hamilton, Ohio. In 1840 Thomas married Lydia Fisher, and they had eight children.

Thomas accepted the presidency of Hanover College in 1849 and served in that position until 1854. For the next four years he was a professor in the Theological Seminary at New Albany. In 1858 he moved to Dayton, Ohio where for the next thirteen years he was the pastor of the First Presbyterian Church. Around 1871 he became a professor at Lane Seminary in Cincinnati, Ohio. He died at Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, Ohio in 1875. (Adapted from *Letters of Thomas E. Thomas*).

## PROVENANCE

*In Memory of Thomas Ebenezer Thomas* was donated by E. J. Brown. *Correspondence of Thomas E. Thomas* was donated by A.A. Thomas. *Letter of Thomas E. Thomas* was donated by William E. Wilson. There is no formal documentation of the donations within this collection.

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**SERIES 1: THOMAS E. THOMAS SPEECHES AND LETTERS, 1848-1913**

- Fd. 1 "An Address, on the Occasion of the Author's Inauguration as President of Hanover College," 1850 Mar. 28  
5 items

Item

- 1 Original, handwritten draft  
2-5 Pamphlets

- Fd. 2 Speech and letter, 1848 Aug. 9-1851 Apr. 24  
2 items

Item

- 1 Address before the Society of Alumni of Miami University, 1848 Aug. 9  
31 p.  
Original, handwritten draft  
2 Thomas E. Thomas letter to Thomas S. Crowe, 1851 Apr. 24

- Fd. 3 "In Memory of Thomas Ebenzer Thomas," by Nathaniel West,  
1875 Mar. 14  
1 v.

- Fd. 4 *Correspondence of Thomas Ebenezer Thomas: Mainly Relating to the Anti-Slavery Conflict in Ohio*, 1909  
1 v.

The correspondence was published by Alfred A. Thomas a son of Thomas E. Thomas.

- Fd. 5 *Letters of Thomas E. Thomas*, 1913  
1 v.

The letters consist of family and general correspondence from 1829 to 1874.