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Abstract

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Accession No.: H88-0122.10
Provenance: Phillip Tertius Phelps
Donor: George Benjamin Scholten
Photographs: 6 images (Box 1)
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Biography

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Phelps passed away on October 22, 1944 in East Northfield, Massachusetts.

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Container List

Box 1

Arabian Missions, Handwritten and typed transcript of a letter written to Samuel Zwemer and James Cantine apologizing for not accompanying them to Arabia,

1939

Biographical, n.d., 1941

Board of Domestic Missions Annual Report, 1849-1852

Commencement Programs

Holland Academy, 1861-1865

Hope College, 1866-1885

Correspondence, 1881, 1887, n.d.

Photographs

Birthday Party, 1942 (1 image)

Hope College campus composite of buildings, n.d. (1 image)

Phelps, Philip T., n. d., 1937 (3 images)

Van Vleck Hall, 1882 (1 image)

Publication, *The Golden Milestone*, by James Cantine and Samuel Zwemer, 1939

Theological Seminary of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, New Brunswick, New Jersey Catalog, 1848-1849, 1854-1855

Box 2

Scrapbook, 1866-1938