Guide to the
Henry Louis Baugher, Class of 1857, Travel Diary

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Provenance

Biography
H. Louis Baugher, son of Henry Lewis Baugher, Gettysburg’s second president, was born on August 6, 1840 in Gettysburg. He graduated from Gettysburg College in 1857 and spent several years teaching in Uniontown, Maryland, Quakertown, Pennsylvania and Washington DC. In 1860 he was appointed to a position under the Sergeant-at-arms of the U.S. House of Representatives, after which he spent two years at the Gettysburg Seminary, and one year at Andover Seminary. He was ordained a Lutheran pastor by the West Pennsylvania Synod in 1863. From 1863-1867 he was a pastor in Norristown. After the death of his father in 1868, he was elected Professor of Greek at Gettysburg College, a position he held until 1880. After serving as a pastor in Omaha, Nebraska and holding a professorship at Howard University, the Gettysburg College Board of Trustees again re-elected him to his former chair in 1883 which he held until 1896. He died on February 11, 1899.

Scope and Content Notes
The diary consists of one 351 page travel journal including 7 pages of plant samples included at the end of the Diary. Baugher is a minister and left his congregation to go on this journey. Because of this, he writes extensively about the churches and church services he attends while in Europe. He also comments of historical events that happened, for example: the French Revolution in Paris, the sight of the Glencoe massacre in the Scottish Highlands, and histories of people who lived the various locations they visited. Baugher also describes their hikes up various mountains such as Mt. Snowden and St. Bernard during his time in Europe. He also describes various beautiful lakes, rivers, and sunsets.

Stops: England (London and Oxford described in detail); Wales (Beautiful description of climbing Mt. Snowden); Ireland; Scotland; Paris (Attended the 1867 Paris Exposition); Switzerland (Climbed St. Bernard and visited various cities in the country); Savoy Region of France

Series Description
This collection is one series, consisting of the travel journal

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Travel Journal
Transcript