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On the advice of Bishop Warren Akin Candler (1857-1941), Howard declined the offer from Vanderbilt and joined the Systematic Theology Department of Candler. The following year he transferred to the Homiletics Department. Howard held a variety of offices during his sixteen-year tenure at Candler. He served as the Assistant Dean under Dean Plato Tracy Durham (1873-1930) from 1916 to 1930. He was also the first pastor of Emory Methodist Church, known now as Glenn Memorial United Methodist Church. Henry Clay Howard died on December 28, 1930.

Dr. Howard married Lucia E. Smith of Greensboro, Alabama, on April 30, 1891. Ms. Smith was the daughter of Dr. Luther M. Smith, a well-known educator.

Scope and Content Note
This collection consists of one handwritten sermon. It is four pages in length and takes as its topic Revelations 3:20 and Luke 24:13-31. The sermon was delivered between 1894 and 1903 at four churches in the North Alabama Conference including Avondale, Anniston, and Tuscaloosa.