

CALLAWAY, MORGAN, 1831-1899.

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Descriptive Summary

Creator: Callaway, Morgan, 1831-1899.
Title: Morgan Callaway papers, 1851-1864
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 122
Extent: .25 linear ft. (1 box)
Abstract: Papers of Morgan Callaway, Methodist clergyman and educator, born in Washington, Georgia.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

Administrative Information

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Citation

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Appraisal Note

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Collection Description**Biographical Note**

Morgan Callaway (September 16, 1831- January 16, 1899), a Methodist clergyman and educator, was born in Washington, Georgia. At the age of twenty, he became a candidate for the pastorate, and in that same year, 1851, he married Eliza Mary "Leila" Hinton, whose brother James gave his consent for the marriage from his home in Marietta, Georgia. In 1858, he succeeded Reverend Oliver P. Anthony as President of Andrew Female College at Cuthbert, Georgia. Although Callaway left the college in 1862 because of the Civil War, Leila Callaway remained associated with the school, assisting with teaching and living with friends and relatives in the area while her husband was in the army. In 1862, their son Morgan Callaway, Jr. was born while Leila was living in Cuthbert. Callaway served the Confederate Army as a private, a first lieutenant, and the acting chaplain in Company B, 11th Battalion, Georgia Artillery.

In the years following the close of the Civil War, he served as pastor for two years in Washington, Georgia, and one year in Little River, Georgia. In 1869, Callaway succeeded I. F. Cox as president of LaGrange Female College in LaGrange, Georgia. He continued that school's post-war rebuilding work and, in 1871, he organized commencement ceremonies for four young women graduates. In that same year, Callaway received an honorary D.D. degree from Emory College and joined that school's faculty. From 1871 to 1875, he served as professor of Latin, including in his work the teaching of ancient classics, ancient history, and Latin grammar. From 1875 to 1881, Callaway taught English language and literature. In 1878 he was chosen to be vice-president of Emory College and in 1881, while continuing to teach, he was elevated to the position of George F. Pierce Professor of English Language and Literature. Among Morgan Callaway, Sr.'s published works are *Art and Women* (18--?), and *Our Mother Tongue* (1877). Callaway retired from his posts at Emory in 1882, and he died at Oxford, Georgia in 1899.

In 1881, Morgan Callaway, Jr. graduated from Emory College with A.B. degree and joined the faculty as adjunct professor of English. He received his M.A. degree from Emory in 1884, going on to study at Johns Hopkins and at Southern Methodist University and to teach at the University of Texas, Southwestern University (Texas), and Johns Hopkins. Like his father, Morgan Callaway, Jr. wrote and published a variety of works. text Biographical information about Morgan Callaway, Sr. may be found in the Bulletins of Emory College, 1871-1882, and in the Minutes of the Annual Conference, North Georgia Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, 1899-1900. Biographical information about both Morgan Callaway, Sr. and Morgan Callaway, Jr. may be found in *Who Was Who in America*, volume I.

Scope and Content Note

The collection consists of the papers of Morgan Callaway from 1851-1864. The papers include letters and sermon notes. There are 81 letters from the correspondence of Morgan Callaway and his wife, Eliza Mary "Leila" (Hinton) Callaway. The correspondence covers the years 1855-1864, with most of the letters having been written from 1862 to 1864 when Callaway was in the Confederate Army and Leila was at home in Georgia. The letters contain news about

family and friends, details of the management of Callaway's farm, information about Andrew Female College, the announcement of the birth of their son Morgan in 1862, and information about Callaway's war experiences. There are also 4 miscellaneous letters to and from other members of the family and 9 items of sermon notes and Biblical references.

Container List

Box	Folder	Content
1	1	Correspondence, 1851-1862
1	2	Correspondence, 1863-1864, no date, miscellany
