BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:
Congregational minister & historian. Bouton was born in Norwalk, CT. After a common school education he became a printers apprentice, prepared himself for college and graduated from Yale and Andover Seminary. He spent his entire career as pastor of the Congregational Church in Concord, NH.

He was an avid student of NH history and published History of Concord, NH in 1856, edited volumes VII and VIII of the NHHS Collections, after he resigned his pastorate he became the first state historian and published a ten volume history of the state.

SCOPE NOTE:
The largest part of this collection is made up of the writings of Nathaniel Bouton. There are sermons and prayers, lectures and discourses, and his autobiography. Box 1 folders 6 & 7 contain materials he collected as background for his history of Concord, NH and other historical writings. There is correspondence and other personal papers as shown below in the inventory.

SERIES I: LOOSE PAPERS
Box 1, fld 1 Autobiography (1 item, 241 pages)
fld 2 Yale certificates, 1821 (2 items)
fld 3 NH Missionary Society, 1834-1835 (6 items)
fld 4 Correspondence, 1833-1879 (27 items)
fld 5 Correspondence from Samuel Bell, 1866-1867 (5 items)
fld 6 As compiler of early records, 1855, 66 (8 items)
fld 7 Statistics of death, marriages, etc. for Concord, 1825-1850 (1 item)
fld 8 As Sec. & Pres. of NHHS, 1844-49 (14 items)
fld 9 Same, 1850-1877 (25 items) includes letter from Samuel F. B. Morse
fld 10 Personal accounts & expenses, 1825-1856 (1 item)
fld 11 40th anniversary as Pastor, March 23, 1865 (7 items)
fld 12 Obituary & misc. (6 items)
f1d 13 Sketch of Rev. Bouton's character April 27, 1902 by John Bell Bouton (1 item)
f1d 14-18 Sermons & prayers

SERIES II: BOUND VOLUMES
Box 2, v.1 Notes on books read by N. Bouton, lectures on scripture characters, 1830, occasional lectures on misc. subjects, 1832 (board & leather spine 8"x 6 5/8")
Box 2, v.2 Lectures on the Acts of the Apostles & delivered in the pulpit commencing Nov. 22, 1829 and on names of places mentioned by scripture commenced May 11, 1843. (same as above)
Box 2, v.3 Pastoral notebook commenced January, 1829 Lectures pg. 28 on miracles. (same description)
Box 2, v.4 Exposition lectures, no. 7 memorial donation (marbled green board, leather spine 6 1/4 & 7 1/2")
Box 2, v.5 Lectures on scripture addressed to Youth's Biblical Assoc. in Concord, 1877. Lectures on character & history of Christ, 1830 to benefit Sabbath Schools, Lectures exhibiting some of the principle doctrines & duties May 1831. (Brown marbled board 6 3/8 x 8 1/4")
Box 2, v.6 Lectures on the Lord's Prayer & on scripture duties & doctrines also lectures to the young. (Green marbled boards 6 1/4 x 7 1/2" leather spine)
Box 2, v.7 Biblical antiquities, a course of lectures commenced April 13, 1830 also lectures on the assemblys [sh?? c??? Chism?], Jan 1833 (swirl'd marble 3/4 leather & 3/8 x 7 3/8")
Box 2, v.1 Sermons on various subjects commenced Jan. 1, 1850 by N.B. (8 x 9 1/4" 3/4 black leather, flowered green board)
Box 2, v.2 Sermons on various subjects, 1850
| Box 2, v.3 | Sermons on various descriptions commenced Oct 1850 (7 3/4 x 9 3/4 feathered board leather spine) |
| Box 2, v.8(sic) | Sermons on Misc. subjects Oct. 10, 1852 (8 x 9 3/4" black leather spine green & brown marbled board) |
| On Shelf v.1 | Addresses & biographical papers (black leather & board, gold embossed 8 1/4 x 10 1/4") |
| On Shelf v.2 | Discourses on the Apostles (same description) |
| On Shelf v.3 | Misc. discourses (same description) |
| On Shelf v.4 | Misc. discourses (same description) |
| On Shelf v.5 | College & Seminary Papers (7 x 8 1/2") |
| On Shelf v.6 | My theology v. 1 (7 x 8 1/4") |
| On Shelf v.7 | My theology v. 2 (6 1/2 x 7 3/4") |
| On Shelf v.8 | Discourses on the Ten Commandments (7 x 8 1/2") |

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