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**The Papers of
Nathaniel Southgate Shaler**

The papers of Nathaniel Southgate Shaler (1841-1906), prominent geologist and scholar.

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Size of Collection

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Biographical Note

- 1841 Born near Newport, Kentucky.
- 1862 Graduated from Harvard.
- 1862 Married Sophia Penn Page.
- 1862-1864 Served with the 5th Kentucky Volunteer Battery.
- 1864 Returned to Harvard to teach.
- 1868 Lectured on paleontology at Harvard.
- 1873 Appointed state geologist for Kentucky.
- 1884 Became professor of geology at Harvard.
- 1891 Became dean of Harvard's Lawrence Scientific School.
- 1906 Shaler died on Martha's Vineyard.

Scope and Content Note

Papers of Shaler primarily from the years ca. 1870-1885, while he was with the Kentucky Geological Survey, and while a professor at the Lawrence Scientific School of Harvard University. The collection includes his manuscript drafts for scientific and geological articles, book chapters, government reports, and lectures; several draft copies of his letters; and scientific notes.

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A Nathaniel Southgate Shaler
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Geological and scientific manuscripts; and miscellaneous materials.