Arthur Lakes Archives

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Collection Overview

REPOSITORY: Yale Peabody Museum of Natural History
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CALL NUMBER: VPAR.000269

CREATOR: Lakes, Arthur, 1844-1917

TITLE: Arthur Lakes Archives

DATES: 1877–1879

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 100 linear feet

LANGUAGE: In English.

SUMMARY: A Collection of Arthur Lakes artwork from his time serving as a collector for O.C.Marsh.

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Administrative Information

Cite As

Arthur Lakes Archives, Vertebrate Paleontology, Yale Peabody Museum

Biographical Sketch

Arthur Lakes (21 December 1844 ? 21 November 1917) was a notable geologist, artist, writer, teacher and minister. He captured much of his geological and palaeontological field work in sketches and watercolours. He was a part-time professor at what later became the Colorado School of Mines when he sent a fossilized vertebra specimen (from the Morrison Formation of Dakota, U.S.) to Othniel Charles Marsh at the Yale Peabody Museum of Natural History in 1877. He was then employed by Marsh as a field worker to seek other fossils. These fossils and sites are recorded in his artwork. He worked for O.C Marsh from 1877-1880. During this time, he also worked as a teacher at what is now the Colorado School of Mines and as a clergyman. When he retired from fossil hunting, he went on to work for the U.S. Geological Survey.

Description of the Material

The Arthur Lakes Archives most notably include water colors and sketches of localities and specimens from his collecting trips. As well as a small amount of correspondence and field notes.
# Collection Contents

## Series I. Correspondence

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| Postcard from Arthur Lakes to O. C. Marsh dated 22 March 1878 | 1878 |
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Series III. Field Notes

Field Notes.
Call Number: 002755
Series IV. Miscellaneous

Miscellaneous.
Call Number: 002756
Selected Search Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Genres / Formats
Correspondence
Drawings
Field notebooks

Corporate Bodies
Yale Peabody Museum
Yale University