# **Preliminary Guide to the George Sarton Papers**

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SUMMARY: The papers consist of biographical material, reprints, and correspondence of

George Sarton.

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# Biographical / Historical

Historian of science, George Alfred Léon Sarton was born on August 31, 1884, in Ghent, Belgium. He studied the natural sciences at the University of Ghent, and received his D.Sc. in 1911. Escaping to England before World War I, Sarton then moved to the United States in 1915. After spending some time in lecturing positions, Sarton came to Harvard University in 1920, was made a full professor there in 1940 and retired in 1951 when he was made professor emeritus. He was founder of the journals, *Isis* and *Osiris*, and author of numerous books on the history of science. He married Eleanor Mabel Elwes on June 22, 1911, and had one daughter, May, in May 1912.

### **Scope and Contents**

The papers consist of biographical material, reprints, and correspondence of George Sarton.

# **Collection Contents**

b. 1, f. 1-6 Biographical material, reprints, correspondence

1890s-1940s

# **Selected Search Terms**

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### **Subjects**

Medicine

#### **Names**

Sarton, George, 1884-1956