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Descriptive Summary

Title: Stephen James Sedgwick Papers,
Date (inclusive): ca. 1858-1906
Collection number: 301
Creator: Sedgwick, Stephen James, b. 1820
Extent: 1 box (0.5 linear ft.)
Repository: University of California, Los Angeles. Library. Department of Special Collections.
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Abstract: Stephen James Sedgwick (1820- ) was a member of the Photographic Corps of the Union Pacific Railroad. He took photographs for a history of the railroad’s the route west of the Missouri River. His experience led to a series of lectures and exhibitions throughout the eastern U.S. The collection consists of Sedgwick’s papers and correspondence.

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Biography
Sedgwick was born in 1820; he became a teacher in the New York City public schools, lecturer in natural history, and photographer who compiled genealogical materials on the Sedgwick family; in 1865 he joined the Photographic Corps of the Union Pacific Railroad and traversed the route west of the Missouri River, shooting photographs for a history of the region; the experience led to a series of lectures and exhibitions throughout the eastern U.S.

Scope and Content
Collection consists of the papers and correspondence of Professor Stephen James Sedgwick. Includes materials from his illustrated lecture courses on the geography and geology of the Union Pacific Railroad route and the American West.

Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

- Sedgwick, Stephen James, b. 1820--Archives.
- Union Pacific Railroad Company.
- Naturalists--New York (City)--Archival resources.
- West (U.S.)--Description and travel.

Correspondence and Papers. ca. 1858-1906

- Creator/Collector: Sedgwick, Stephen J[ames]
- Physical Description: 1 box (ca. 500 items in 2 vols. and 2 folders).
- Scope and Content Note

Papers of Professor S.J. Sedgwick, teacher in the New York City Public Schools and lecturer in natural history. Professor Sedgwick is noted for his illustrated lecture courses on the geography and geology of the Union Pacific Railroad route and the American West.