



New York State Archives

**New York State Geological and Natural History Survey
Vouchers for Payment of Expenses of the Geological and
Natural History Survey, the Geological Survey, and the
Agricultural Survey A4209**

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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	This series consists of vouchers submitted by employees of the New York State Geological and Natural History Survey for payment of services rendered; supplies purchased; transportation and equipment costs. Also included are a few receipts, drafts for payment, abstracts of expenses, and a letter by Governor W. L. Marcy explaining special pay arrangements for geologist W. W. Mathers and vouchers and comptroller's warrants to pay the salaries and expenses of the State Geological Survey and the State Agricultural Survey.
Creator:	New York (State). Geological and Natural History Survey
Title:	Vouchers for payment of expenses of the geological and natural history survey, the geological survey, and the agricultural survey
Quantity:	0.5 cubic feet
Quantity:	1 box
Inclusive Date:	1837-1848
Series:	A4209

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Arrangement

Alphabetic by name of person submitting voucher.

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Administrative History

The Geological and Natural History Survey of the state was authorized in 1836 and completed in 1842 under the supervision of four state geologists. After the completion of the Survey, James Hall and Ebenezer Emmons were appointed to continue the work of the geological and agricultural surveys, respectively.

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Scope and Content Note

This series consists of vouchers, some receipted, for cash, submitted by employees of the New York State Geological and Natural History Survey for payment of services rendered and supplies purchased.

Included are vouchers from the state geologists and their assistants responsible for the four geological districts of the survey; the survey's mineralogist, botanist, paleontologist, and zoologist; and "petty expenses," such as transportation and equipment costs. In addition to vouchers there are a few separate receipts, drafts for payment, abstracts of expenses, and one letter by Governor W. L. Marcy explaining special pay arrangements made for one of the state geologists, W. W. Mathers. These records are all dated 1837 and 1839.

Also included in this series are vouchers and comptroller's warrants to pay the salaries and expenses of the State Geological Survey under James Hall and of the State Agricultural Survey under the direction of Ebenezer Emmons. Many of the vouchers are for printing and ongoing costs of the published reports of the surveys, and for supplies or shipping costs of specimens.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding access to or use of the material.

Administrative Information

Custodial History

According to a label found in one box, these records were presented to the State Museum by Noah J. Clarke on August 9, 1956. They were boxed with series A4208-87, Incoming Correspondence of the Assistant State Paleontologist, State Paleontologist, State Geologist, and State Museum Director.

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Access Terms

- Geological surveys
- Accounting
- Geology
- New York (State)
- Vouchers (sales records)
- New York State Geological Survey
- University of the State of New York
- New York State Museum
- Hall, James, 1811-1898
- New York (State). Education Department
- New York State Agricultural Survey