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Florence Bascom (1862-1945) is widely considered the first female geologist in the country and was the first woman to be hired by the United States Geological Survey (USGS) agency. The youngest of six siblings, Florence was born on July 14, 1862 to parents Emma Curtis Bascom and John Bascom. Both of her parents were teachers...  FUN FACT: Her father, John Bascom became president of the University of Wisconsin in 1874 and just one year later in 1875 the University of Wisconsin began accepting women. The famous Bascom Hill on the Madison campus is named after his legacy here at the UW. Florence Bascom, America's first female geologist. George Nicholas Bascom, army officer of Apache Wars. Henry Bidleman Bascom, Congressional Chaplain 1824-26. John U. Bascom, American surgeon. Willard Bascom, oceanographer. Bryant Butler Brooks, cowboy, rancher and Governor of Wyoming 1905-1911. Frederic S. Remington, western artist and sculptor, "Father of Cowboy Sculpture". John A. Bascom (President: 1874-1887) at the University of Wisconsin–Madison. John and Emma Bascom image gallery at Wisconsin Electronic Reader. Bascom, John 1827-1911 | Wisconsin Historical Society. The Life and Times of John Bascom. John Bascom's writings. John Bascom at Find a Grave. Academic offices. Preceded by John H. Twombly. Dr. Bascom became the first president of Madison College, Uniontown, PA from 1827-28. He was also president of Transylvania University, KY in 1842. Florence graduated from Wisconsin University with two bachelor's degrees (1882 and 1884) and a master's degree in geology in 1887. She received her doctorate in 1893, the first awarded to a woman by Johns Hopkins University and the first American woman to receive a PhD in geology. The largest branch of Bascoms in New England today, almost 200, are descendents of Martin, and many families still live in the rural Acworth and Langdon, New Hampshire towns where Martin and his son James established their farm. All descendents of Martin Bascom are through hist son James and three of his grandchildren, Glenn, Eric, and Merton.