

National Museum of Health and Medicine

Otis Historical Archives

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OHA 4 Curatorial Record: Autopsy Logbooks

Accession Number: N/A

Date of Records: 1865-1919

Size: 2 boxes, $\frac{3}{4}$ linear foot

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Condition: This collection may include fragile material that requires special or limited handling.

Historical Note: This collection is part of the curatorial records section of the Otis Historical Archives. This section and specific collection (OHA 4) relate to the early history of the Army Medical Museum (AMM), now the National Museum of Health and Medicine (NMHM). The AMM was established in 1862, at the beginning of the Civil War, to document battlefield medicine, trauma, and pathology through the collection of records, specimens, and artifacts. The curatorial records document the mission, work, and day-to-day activities of the museum up through the end of World War II, when the museum became a component of the Army Institute of Pathology, LATER the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology.

Scope and Content Note: Records of autopsies done by Army Medical Museum staff (primarily Dr. Daniel Lamb) for doctors and institutions (primarily the Freedmen's Hospital) local to the Washington, DC area. Records are often one or two pages of handwritten findings and procedures related to a specific autopsy. They often include whether or not a specimen from these autopsies was added to the museum collections. This collection does not include Lamb's actual autopsies, only the records of them, which are still rather detailed. Lamb's autopsies can be found in Curatorial Records: Collection Logbooks.

Related Material: More information about Dr. Daniel Lamb may be found in the other curatorial records and in the Lamb Collection (OHA 212.08)

BOX AND CONTENT LIST

Box 001

- 00001. Curatorial Records: Autopsy Logbooks, "Index of Names of the Person on Whom and the Physicians for Whom the Autopsies were Made"
- 00002. Curatorial Records: Autopsy Logbook Vol I; #1-100, 1865-1866
- 00003. Curatorial Records: Autopsy Logbook Vol I; #101-114, 1866-1867
- 00004. Curatorial Records: Autopsy Logbook Vol II; #116-245, 1867-1879
- 00005. Curatorial Records: Autopsy Logbook Vol III; #246-423, 1876-1886
- 00006. Curatorial Records: Autopsy Logbook Vol IV; #425-735, 1886-1894

Box 002

- 00001. Curatorial Records: Autopsy Logbooks Vol V; #736-1159, 1894-1903
- 00002. Curatorial Records: Autopsy Logbook Vol VI; #1160-1312, 1903-1919