

# National Museum of Health and Medicine

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## Otis Historical Archives

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### OHA 6 Curatorial Records: Circulars and Reports

**Accession Number:** N/A

**Date of Records:** 1862-1907

**Size:** 1 box, ¼ linear foot

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**Restrictions:** This collection is unrestricted.

**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 6) 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, then the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology.

**Scope and Content Note:** This collection consists of handwritten copies of circulars and reports concerning the Army Medical Museum, sent to and from the Surgeon General's office during the Civil War, from 1863 and 1864. The collection also contains a bound volume that is a typed, narrative copy of circulars and reports collected from 1862 to 1907. Most were written by curator John Brinton.

## BOX AND CONTENT LIST

### Box 001

00001      Circulars and Reports, 1863

- 00002      Circulars and Reports, 1864
- 00003      Circulars and Reports, Bound volume, 1862-1907