Preliminary Guide to the
William Henry Carmalt Papers

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Collection Overview

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**CALL NUMBER:** MS 846

**CREATOR:** Carmalt, William H. (William Henry), 1836-1929

**TITLE:** William Henry Carmalt papers

**DATES:** 1838–1929

**BULK DATES:** 1861–1929

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 5 linear feet

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** Papers reflecting Carmalt’s studies at a private medical school in Cambridge, Massachusetts, accounts on his practice and investments, a small number of case records and lecture notes, professional correspondence, medical notes, and biographical material.

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**Administrative Information**

**Immediate Source of Acquisition**

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Biographical / Historical
William H. Carmalt: practiced medicine at St. Luke’s Hospital, N.Y.C.; private practice in New York, until the Civil War, during which he served as surgeon; from 1870-1874 studied medicine in Europe; in 1876 moved to New Haven, Connecticut, and opened practice as an ophthalmologist; in 1879 became professor of ophthalmology at Yale Medical School; later professor of surgery; surgeon and member of board of directors of New Haven Hospital, 1881-1894.

Scope and Contents
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Arrangement
Arranged by accession.
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## Accession 1981-M-005. Additional Material

3 linear feet (3 page boxes, 1 dress box, 1 diploma tube)

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Selected Search Terms
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Medical -- Study and teaching
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Carmalt, William H. (William Henry), 1836-1929

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