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[Ellsworth Eliot, Jr., Operation Record Books, 1900-1912](#)

ELIOT, ELLSWORTH, JR., 1864-1945.

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circa 1 cubic feet (3 volumes)

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE: Ellsworth Eliot, Jr. was born June 6, 1864, the son of Ellsworth Eliot (P&S, 1852) and his wife, Anna Stone Eliot. He was raised in Guilford, CT, and New York City and was graduated from Yale. He received his M.D. in 1887 from the College of Physicians and Surgeons (P&S) where he was head of his class and winner of the Harsen Prize. After an internship at New York Hospital and further study in Berlin and Vienna, he joined the surgical staff of Presbyterian Hospital in 1893; he remained at the hospital as an Attending Surgeon until 1918 and was thereafter consultant in surgery until his death. He was Chief of Surgery of Vanderbilt Clinic of P&S from 1895 to 1900 and at various times held surgical professorships at both P&S and the Cornell University Medical College. He died November 2, 1945.

SUMMARY: The volumes record approximately 5,500 operations performed at Presbyterian Hospital from 1900 to 1912. The entries usually contain patient's name, age, address, date of admission, and date of operation as well as the cause and description of disease or injury, condition of diseased or injured parts at the time of operation, and the progress, complications, and outcome of the operation. Some temperature charts, diagnosis reports, and photographs of patients are included. It is not known if these were all Eliot's operations: the first volume is titled as such, but the remaining two are not.

LANGUAGE: English.

ACCESS: Because the volumes include Confidential Health Information (CHI) as defined by Columbia University policies governing data security and privacy, access is allowed only under the terms of Archives and Special Collections' [Access Policy to Records Containing Confidential Health Information](#).

PROVENANCE: Unknown. Archives & Special Collections has no information on the sources of these volumes.

RELATED RECORDS: Archives & Special Collections also holds [Presbyterian Hospital surgical casebooks](#), 1875-1896, 1905-1915 (with gaps).

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