

[Archives & Special Collections, Columbia University Health Sciences Library](#)

[New York Ophthalmic and Aural Institute Board of Trustees Minutes](#)

NEW YORK OPHTHALMIC AND AURAL INSTITUTE. BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Minutes, 1869, Nov. 12 – 1896, Jan. 21.

2 volumes.

HISTORICAL NOTE: The New York Ophthalmic and Aural Institute was founded in 1869 by Dr. Herman Knapp (1832-1911) and was located at 44-46 East 12th Street in Greenwich Village. In 1913, the hospital was renamed the Herman Knapp Memorial Hospital and moved to new facilities at Tenth Avenue and 57th Street. The Hospital closed on January 1, 1940 and its assets were turned over to Columbia University as the Knapp Memorial Fund to support ophthalmological research.

SCOPE AND CONTENT: Minutes of the Board of Trustees of the New York Ophthalmic and Aural Institute. The Trustees were primarily concerned with the financial and administrative affairs of the Institute, but especially in the early years of the hospital they often reported on medical matters including number of admissions, the condition of the wards, and the appointment of medical staff.

LANGUAGE: English.

ACCESS: Open.

PROVENANCE: Transfer from the Columbia University Dept. of Ophthalmology, 2010 (acc. #2011.004).

Subjects

Hospitals – New York (State) – New York – 19th century.

Ophthalmology – United States – 19th century.

Herman Knapp Memorial Hospital (New York, N.Y.)

New York Ophthalmic and Aural Institute.