Humphries, Henry Richard, 1873-1927.
Lectures on shell shock, ca. 1920.
2 folders (42 pages)

Biographical Note: Neurologist. Born in New York City, Humphries received his medical degree from the Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons in 1896. He held positions at several New York State psychiatric hospitals and served as assistant neurologist at Columbia’s Vanderbilt Clinic. During World War I he was consulting neurologist to the Adjutant General’s Office. He died March 1, 1927 in New York.

Scope and Content: Five lectures on shell shock delivered by Henry R. Humphries. Neither the date nor the location of the lectures is given but from references in the text, they were probably delivered ca. 1919-1920. He discusses possible causes of shell shock, how it differs from other neurological and psychiatric conditions, and the best means for treating it. Several of the lectures include questions asked by the audience and Humphries’ answers.

Language: English.

Access: Except for lecture two, the extremely fragile condition of the originals requires researchers to use preservation photocopies.


Location: Miscellaneous Manuscripts, Box 6, fo. 1-2.

Subjects
War neuroses – Treatment.
World War, 1914-1918 – Medical care.
World War, 1914-1918 – Psychological aspects.
Combat Disorders – World War I.