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Perin Collection

Date of Records: 1840s-1890s

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Biographical Note: Col. Glover S. Perin was appointed Assistant Surgeon, U.S. Army, on December 4, 1847, Captain and Assistant Surgeon, December 4, 1852; promoted to Major and Surgeon, May 21, 1861; Lieutenant Colonel and Surgeon, April 28, 1877; and Colonel and Assistant Surgeon General, July 2, 1884. He began his military career in the war with Mexico and ultimately became medical director of a number of departments and brigades.

Series/Scope and Content Note: This collection consists of the papers of Col. Glover H. Perin (1823-1890), a Union medical director during the Civil War. Items include journal entries, reprints, reports, correspondence, medical records, a photograph, and handwritten manuscripts. Also includes copies of an original publication on the use of agave in treating surgery, which garnered attention for Perin and his research work. Items from this donation can also be found in Historical Collections.

BOX AND CONTENT LIST

Box 001:

00001: Collection Description—Glover S. Perin Papers
00002: Photograph: Col. Perin Surrounded by His Corps (n.d)
00003: List of Medical Officers, United States Army, With Their Stations (1870)
00004: Headquarters Department of Missouri, Correspondence (1875)
00005: “The Regular Army! Our Teachers in War; Our Defenders in Peace,” Response by Gen. John Pope
00007: Headquarters Department of Missouri, Correspondence (1880)
00008: Roster of Troops Serving in the Department of Dakota (1880-1886)
00009: Headquarters Department of Dakota, Correspondence (1881)
00010: Letter to Adjutant General of the Army re. Promotion (Copy, 1883)
00011: Circular No. 4, Rules and Regulations of the Minnesota Commander (1885)
00012: Quarterly Station-List of Officers of the Medical Department (1885)
00013: “The Use of Agave Americana, as a Primary Remedy for Scurvy” (1886)
00014: State of Military Service of Glover Perin (1886)
00015: Headquarters Department of Dakota, Correspondence (1886)
00016: Correspondence, Misc (1849-1889)
00017: “Salivary Fistula, Fistula Salivaris, Salivary” (26 pp, n.d.)
00018: “Observations Upon Wounds Made By Insects and Venemous Serpents” (25 pp, n.d.)
00020: “On the Food of Armies” (20 pp, n.d.)