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Biographical Note: Alfred Eugene Bradley was born on November 25, 1864 in Jamestown, New York. He graduated from Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia in 1887 and entered the Army Medical Corps the next year. During the Spanish-American War and the Philippine Insurrection, he served on the hospital ship USS Relief. During World War I, he served in France as First Chief Surgeon with the American Expeditionary Force and was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal. He retired in March 1920 and died December 17, 1922 after a long illness. Bradley married Letitia M. Follett in 1887. They had two children. A son, Follett, was born in 1890 and daughter Harriet, in 1893.

Series/Scope and Content Note: This collection consists of copies of Bradley's letters to his wife while he was in medical school; memoirs by his wife; and photographs of England (1916) and U.S. General Hospital in Biltmore, North Carolina.

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Box 001:

00001: Bradley’s letters to his wife while he took the Army Medical Corps qualifying exams, 1888

00002: Memoirs of Letitia Follett Bradley, 1935

00003: Photograph of Brigadier General Alfred E. Bradley (Reeve 031174)
00004: Photographs from Paignton, England, 1916

00005: Photographs from of Bradley, his wife, and his specially constructed cabin at US General Hospital no. 12, Asheville, NC, 1919. [Also referred to as U.S. Army Convalescence Hospital No. 12, Biltmore Hospital, or Kenilworth Hospital. The facility was originally a resort/hotel, but just one month after its completion the Army saw it as the perfect place for a wartime convalescence hospital and leased it from the owner. It is likely that Bradley was there for care as he suffered from recurrent illness and died just a few years later.]