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Highland Military Academy
Photograph Collection

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Collection Information

Abstract : Highland Military Academy established 1856 on Salisbury Street, Worcester, as a private preparatory school for boys. Photographs document individual students, cadets' required dress, and school facilities. Academy closed 1912.

Finding Aid : Finding Aid in print form is available in the Repository.

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Highland Military Academy (Worcester, Mass.) – Photographs.

Metcalf, Caleb B.

Shaw, Joseph Alden, 1836-1915.

Military education – Massachusetts – Worcester.

Military academies – Massachusetts – Worcester. aat

Private schools – Massachusetts – Worcester. aat

Preparatory schools – Massachusetts – Worcester. aat

Photographs. aat

Albumen prints. aat

Collodion prints. aat

Historical/Biographical Notes

The Highland Military Academy was established in 1856 as a private preparatory school for boys by Caleb B. Metcalf (d. 1891). The school was located on Metcalf's property on Salisbury Street near present Military Road. Students, called cadets, were required to wear the school uniform at all times, and were required to practice drill instruction one hour each school day. Metcalf retired as Superintendent in 1888, and was succeeded by Joseph Allen Shaw. Among the school's military instructors were John M. Goodhue and Selwyn B. Clark. In 1912 the school closed, and the land was sold for house lots.

Scope and Content

The photograph collection includes cabinet card photographic prints of about 25 cadets, most in uniform. Also included are group photographs, and photographs of the buildings and grounds. Date ranges are ca. 1870s-1890s.

Series Description

Series 1: Portraits. Includes individual formal photographs of individuals and groups.
(23 items)

Series 2: Buildings and grounds.
(2 items)

Series 3: Miscellaneous. Includes informal groups, cadets drilling, winter scenes of campus.
(7 items)

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Series 1, Portraits

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	1	2000.67.1.1	Cadet Loomis, Springfield, Mass. : cabinet card, albumen print / Bucholz, Springfield, Mass., ca. 1889.
1	1	2000.67.1.2	Cadet Hills, Hartford, Conn. : cabinet card, albumen print / Rice, 311 Main St., Worcester, Mass., ca. 1889.
1	1	2000.67.1.3	Cadet Rinaldo A. Phelps, Shreveport, La. : cabinet card, albumen print / Davis, Worcester, Mass., ca. 1880s.
1	1	2000.67.1.4	Cadet Coffins : cabinet card, albumen print / Odin Fritz, Newton, Mass., 1892.
1	1	2000.67.1.5	Cadet Sa...r, Boston, Mass. : cabinet card, albumen print / Rice, 311 Main St., Worcester, Mass., ca. 1889.
1	1	2000.67.1.6	Unidentified cadet : cabinet card, albumen print / Rice, 311 Main St., Worcester, Mass., ca. 1889.
1	1	2000.67.1.7-.8	Unidentified cadet : cabinet card, albumen print / Rice, 311 Main St., Worcester, Mass., ca. 1889. (2 prints of individual cadets)
1	2	2000.67.1.9-.10	Unidentified cadet : cabinet card, albumen print / Davis, Worcester, Mass., ca. 1880s. (2 prints of individual cadets)
1	2	2000.67.1.11-.12	Unidentified cadet : cabinet card, albumen print / Marion, Worcester, Mass., ca. 1890. (2 prints of individual cadets)
1	2	2000.67.1.13-.14	Unidentified cadet : cabinet card, albumen print / Frank Lawrence, Photographer, Worcester, Mass., ca. 1890-1898. (2 prints of individual cadets)

Series 1, continued

1	2	2000.67.1.15	Unidentified cadet : cabinet card, albumen print / Daniels' New Studio, 44 Front St., Worcester, Mass., ca. 1889-1895.
1	3	2000.67.1.16	Unidentified cadet : cabinet card, albumen print / Hastings, Boston, Mass., ca. 1890-1893.
1	3	2000.67.1.17	Cadet Hills : cabinet card, collodion print / Davis, Worcester, Mass., ca.1880s.
1	3	2000.67.1.18	Cadet H. B. du Prez : cabinet card, collodion print / Rice, 311 Main St., Worcester, Mass., ca. 1889.
1	3	2000.67.1.19	Cadet Douglas Perkins Jr., Cleveland, Ohio : cabinet card, collodion print / Davis, Worcester, Mass., May 1, 1894.
1	3	2000.67.1.20	Unidentified cadet : cabinet card, collodion print / Davis, Worcester, Mass., ca. 1890.
1	3	2000.67.1.21-.22	Unidentified cadet : cabinet card, collodion print / Davis, Worcester, Mass., ca. 1890. (2 prints of individual cadets)
1	3	2000.67.1.23	Unidentified cadet : cabinet card, collodion print / Elmer Chickering, Boston, Mass., 1890.
1	4	2000.67.1.24	Group of four cadets : albumen print, 8 x 10 in. / ca. 1880.
1	4A	2000.67.1.25-.48	Unidentified cadets, Highland Military Academy : albumen print, cdv / 1862-1864.
1	4A	2000.67.1.49	George H. Chapman, Highland 1863-1864 : albumen print, cdv / R.H. Dewey, Pittsfield.
1	4A	2000.67.1.50	John D. Carson, Highland 1863-1864 : albumen print, cdv / S.l., s.n., n.d.

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Series 2, Buildings and grounds

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	5	2000.67.2.1	Highland Military Academy, exterior view : albumen print, 5 x 8 in. / ca. 1880.
1	5	2000.67.2.2	Dining room, Highland Military Academy : albumen print, 5 x 8 in. / ca. 1880.

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 Series 3, Miscellaneous

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1	6	2000.67.3.1-.2	Winter scenes, Highland Military Academy : 4 x 5 in. mounted albumen prints / ca. 1880.
1	6	2000.67.3.3	Cadets in winter, Highland Military Academy : 4 x 5 in. mounted collodion print / ca. 1885.
1	6	2000.67.3.4-.7	Group of cadets, close order drill, Highland Military Academy : 45 x 5 in. mounted collodion prints / ca. 1885.