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Object: .6a: diploma conferred upon Julia M. Carpenter in 1889 by Vermont Medical College;

.6bc: translation of the Latin diploma into English (2 sheets)

Date: 6a: 1889

6bc: c. 1889

Artist or Maker:

Material: paper

Dimensions: 6a: 18 1/2" x 211/2"

6bc: 10" x 8" (each sheet)

Condition: poor - 6a: The diploma was unevenly rolled for a long time; there are several tears at the edges, particularly at the top; the paper is brittle; the "gold" seal is tarnished, and the ribbon that was attached has torn away and is missing; there is staining at the edges, probably water damage; three of the four visible signatures have faded extensively to the point that they are barely even visible.

6bc: The two sheets of paper on which there is a handwritten translation of the Latin text of the diploma are torn in a number of places and are taped with what looks like white medical tape to a large and very brittle piece of brown paper; it appears that the brown paper might have been the backing paper of the framed diploma (if indeed it was framed at one time), and perhaps someone taped the translation to it; it is clear that the two sheets were folded at one time.

Additional Comments: These materials had been in the possession of AMWA for a very long time before they were donated to the Archives, but their provenance is not known.