


EXAMINATION RECORD—Cased Object

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Title/subject:	[Group of 4 men]	Object Date:	Ca. 1858
Owner:	Rebecca Norris 112 N. Beechwood Avenue Baltimore, MD 21228 (410) 788-9229	Dimensions:	Passepartout: 15.3 x 13.1 cm
Medium/Process:	ambrotype		
Support:	glass		
Housing:	Wooden Ogee (1880's) frame (outer dimensions: 23.2 x 20.6 cm) with verre eglomise style passepartout.		
Examiner:	Katharine Whitman		
Exam Date:	10 October 2006		
Authorization for treatment:			
Date:			

PHOTODOCUMENTATION

- BT_N001 Frame with plate recto, overall, normal illumination
- BT_N002 Frame verso with backboard, overall, normal illumination
- BT_N003 Frame verso with plate removed, overall, normal illumination
- BT_N004 Passepartout verso, overall, normal illumination
- BT_N005 Passepartout recto, overall, normal illumination
- BT_N006 Passepartout left edge, overall, normal illumination
- BT_N007 Passepartout right edge, overall, normal illumination
- BT_N008 Passepartout top edge, overall, normal illumination
- BT_N009 Passepartout bottom edge, overall, normal illumination

CONDITION

Previous Treatment:

The original backing of the passepartout (European) has been replaced with a brown paper and the entire package has been placed in a later period, Ogee style (American) frame.

Housing:

Passepartout: The original binding tape is present and torn at the corners and along the edges.

Frame: The backing board is warped, stained and held in with two modern nails. Image is shored in the frame with two ball-point pens.

Cover glass: fair condition with some mild deterioration on the inner surface and soiling on the outer surface.

Window mat: very good condition

Image Plate:

Upon initial examination the binder and image are in very good condition. The black backing material is flaking with some losses.

PROPOSED TREATMENT

1. Consolidate the flaking backing material.
2. Remove the later brown backing material and replace it with archival back paper, similar to the original style.
3. Fill losses in the backing material.
4. Clean the cover glass.