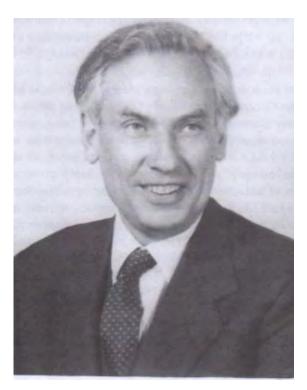


SYMONS COLLECTION

at the Royal College of Physicians



Cecil Symons MD FRCP Chevalier de l'Ordre National du Mérite

Symons collection



Cecil Symons FRCP (1921–87) was a physician and cardiologist at the Royal Free Hospital, London. He collected many fascinating artefacts which would have been used by physicians and for self-care in the home.

The Symons collection is housed in the Treasures Room at the Royal College of Physicians, in a space designed especially for it by the Royal College of Physicians' architect, Sir Denys Lasdun.

Cecil died in 1987 and his wife, Jean, catalogued the collection with the help of Elisabeth Bennion. The display was arranged by Colin Lindley.

For further information about the Symons collection, visit:

www.rcplondon.ac.uk/museum-and-garden/museum/symons-collection

Symons collection: its origins and contents

Based on a talk given by Jean Symons AADipl, RIBA, HonFRCP, on 30 April 1997 at the Royal College of Physicians, published in the Journal of the Royal College of Physicians of London 1997:31(5):565–69.

Cecil Symons' approach to collecting is best described in his opening to the Samuel Gee lecture, entitled 'Invalids in the Georgian era', which he gave at the Royal College of Physicians (RCP) in 1981:

I am not a medical historian but someone who became interested in the Georgian era because of the collection which I have made over the years of contemporary medical artefacts. The acquisition of articles may become a passion and arouse interest far beyond the particular inanimate piece collected. To see, for example, an early medicine spoon, inevitably gives rise to thoughts of who used it and how and why. The Georgians were very much aware of self-care and comfort, and even in sickness their inherent sense of good design remained evident.

Despite his obvious enthusiasm for the Georgians, Cecil Symons did not confine himself to one era or country, so both Roman and Chinese medicine are represented in the collection.

The Georgian era began in 1714 and ended in 1837, following the reign of William IV, brother of George IV. Also known as the age of Reason, Elegance, Romanticism or Enlightenment, stability was the keynote of the period. 'Medicine', as both a means of treatment and self-care, received much attention and the vigorous cartoons and illustrations by contemporary artists such as Hogarth, Gillray, Cruikshank and Rowlandson revealed much about medical practice in that rumbustious age, including the personalities and preoccupations of both practitioners and patients.

Ill as he was to become, George III always practised self-care and his idiosyncracies were regarded with tolerance and affection. Gillray showed him as Temperance enjoying a frugal meal, thus setting an example to all at a time when over-eating and drinking, with obesity and gout as a consequence, were prevalent: George is pictured eating a boiled egg whilst his wife Charlotte is devouring greens. In contrast, Gillray shows his son, George, Prince of Wales, as a Voluptuary under the horrors of digestion: the Prince's concern with his health is illustrated by a vegetable draught, a pot of ointment for piles, another for bad breath and a chamber pot full of urine.

Hogarth depicted poverty and alcoholism in Gin Lane whilst, in contrast, Rowlandson illustrated the pleasures of Bath for the better off – including those who were sick and disabled. Nurses, as such, had not yet been invented. Elderly women, usually addicted to the bottle, filled the role; Rowlandson depicted one about to administer an enema while

another, in a drunken stupor, was soon to have the house on fire.

From the literature of the period Cecil Symons deduced that people were frightened of illness – it was the great unknown. He noted that in the *Diary of a country parson 1758–1803*, James Woodford describes only injury. He gives details of drawing a tooth and describes a death but there is almost no reference to disease.

The Symons collection provides a great deal of evidence of how people cared for themselves and is therefore a useful adjunct to medical history.

Motivated by a deep interest in France, Cecil Symons founded the Société Clinique Française, based at the Dispensaire Française in London and initiated exchange visits between the Société and the Hertford British Hospital in Paris. He was made a Chevalier de l'Ordre National du Mérite in 1987.

The difference between the English and French approach to sickness and health in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries particularly fascinated him. Whilst the invention of the stethoscope by Laënnec in 1816 was the high point of that period of medicine in France, it was the profusion of items relating to infants and motherhood, such as feeding spoons, cups and nipple shields — all of which are represented in the collection — which was of special interest to Cecil Symons and prompted him to study the philosophy of Jean-Jacques Rousseau and relate it to art.

On an RCP visit to Singapore in 1986, a year before he died, Cecil Symons told the then treasurer, the late Sir Anthony Dawson, about his collection and that he would like the RCP to house it. However, there was no suitable site. When the new extension was being discussed, the architect Sir Denys Lasdun, having seen items from the collection several years earlier, remembered the nipple shields ('guards' as he called them), and designed the present exhibition space specifically to house the Symons collection. The suggestion received the enthusiastic support of Dr Norman Jones (treasurer 1994–96).

Collecting

In most of his travels to find medical artefacts for his collection, Cecil Symons was accompanied by his wife Jean. As well as the historical significance attached to an object many were bought 'because we liked them'. The first, an apothecary jar, was found in Chartres in 1957. In 1973, through a pharmacist friend, Henry Brocksom, a silver 'top-hat' stethoscope was acquired. However, plans to collect silver stethoscopes were soon abandoned; there were no others. Medical items that made up the early collection included a castor oil spoon with a bottle of castor oil, a wooden stethoscope, a lancet case, an iron double-ended spoon (which turned out to be a kitchen utensil), a cupping set, a tongue scraper (later identified as part of a Stilton cheese scoop), treen cases containing medicine

glasses and syringes, and a pap-boat. A bleeding bowl, calibrated for volume, had been used by Henry Brocksom as an ashtray.

The development of the medicine spoon in the Georgian era and whether it preceded the teaspoon – or vice versa – was of particular interest. In 1979 a spoon came up for auction inscribed: 'Gift of the Dutchess of Queensberry to Lady Carbery'. Why did she give a spoon in a shagreen case? Was it for medicine or tea? She was known to have a deep interest in potions, tissanes and balsamic draughts and to have made them for her friends. (Jean Symons continued this research and published a paper in 2010, 'A duchess, a physician and a spoon', in which she concluded that it might have been intended as a spoon for measuring herbs.) A dose of medicine became known as a 'teaspoonful'. There is a medicine or teaspoon engraved 'A Dutchess' in the collection and it is interesting that the modern 5-ml plastic medicine measure has exactly the same capacity as the duchess's gift of 1755.

Antique markets throughout England and France provided good sources of medical artefacts (especially as dealers had not realised their value at that time) and so did antique and junk shops as far apart as America and Australia.

Holidays and conferences provided opportunities to visit medical museums – the Medical School and Musée de L'Assistance Publique in Paris, Hospice de Beaune, Hôtel-Dieu de Lyon, the Semmelweis Museum in Budapest, museums in Vienna and Padua, and old hospitals in Piacenza, Sienna, Florence, Angers and Bruges. English, Scottish and Welsh country houses also contain objects of medical interest which helped Cecil and Jean Symons to identify objects in shops and markets that might otherwise have been overlooked.

Elisabeth Bennion, author of *Antique medical instruments*, published in 1979, was of great help in tracking down artefacts; many could not have been procured without her assistance. Later, she also helped Jean Symons to sort the collection and compile the catalogue.

Displaying the collection

Until it came to the RCP in 1996, the collection had not been seen in its entirety. Dr Symons had died in 1987 and therefore it was left to Jean Symons, with the professional advice of Colin Lindley, to decide how the objects were to be housed in their allotted space. Visual impact was of course paramount but it was also important to reflect Cecil Symons' interests. The leech jar was chosen as the centrepiece and the display starts with items from the largest group in the collection, 'invalid aids'.

Among these are the nipple shields that had attracted the attention of the architect, Sir Denys Lasdun. They are made from a variety of materials, including silver, ivory, glass, wood, leather and lead (not good for babies). Modern examples are included to show that although the material has changed, the shape has not.

Next in the display come items used for infant feeding followed by pap boats, feeding cups and posset cups, one of which has a demountable handle and spout for travelling. A wicker covered flask resembles an early thermos flask. Three of the pap boats were owned by Lord Cohen, a fellow of the RCP and chairman of the General Medical Council (1961–73).

Feeding spoons form the next part of the collection; a magnificent example, the earliest in the collection (c.1680) is mounted high on the wall. Below is a neat French invention – the medicine was in the first compartment with something sweet in the second.

Castor oil spoons follow medicine and teaspoons. Often called Gibson spoons because they were inscribed by the silversmith 'C Gibson inventor', they were actually invented by Dr Anthony Todd Thompson (1778–1849), a fellow of the RCP.

Silver sick syphons are placed next. These are early drinking straws, and being impossible to clean, they were potentially lethal. Also displayed in this part of the collection are Victorian double-ended spoons and travellers' folding spoons, many of which came from America. A modern green plastic spoon was given to Cecil Symons by one of his students who spent his elective study period in India. It gives instructions on the dose of sugar and salt for rehydration.

The collection of tongue scrapers is probably the largest anywhere. They particularly fascinated Dr Symons because of the shapes and variety of materials from which they were made. One example was found by Jean Symons on an RCP visit to India when she saw pilgrims at Benares using twigs from the neem tree to clean their teeth and then splitting them to use as tongue scrapers, forming a curved shape, similar to some of those in the collection.

Next come items for leeching, bleeding and cupping placed adjacent to beautiful lancet cases in a variety of materials.

A selection of stethoscopes includes examples by Laënnec and Priorry, an elegant Neapolitan model made of tortoiseshell and gold in its original case, and one made of glass. Thermometers, pulse glasses and tongue depressors are also represented.

A sphygmographe de Marey is displayed in a case marked 'W. Broadbent'. Sir William Broadbent, a fellow of the RCP, was Physician to King Edward VII, initially when he was Prince of Wales (1892) and became Physician Extraordinary to Queen Victoria in 1896.

Among the more esoteric items are a set of guinea scales (an important part of a physician's equipment), Chinese medicine dolls, a pair of political buttons showing Louis XIV having an enema (before and after), a Charles I pillbox containing four divisions and a watch to show when the next dose is due, and a magnificent William IV silver ear trumpet which unscrews into three parts and could be carried in a handbag.

The collection has been catalogued by Jean Symons. Items are listed in the order in which they are displayed; each is dated and, when known, the maker and place of origin are given with any other relevant information.

Postscript 2014

Cecil Symons would have appreciated the vision of the officers of the RCP and Sir Denys Lasdun in providing the splendid setting for the collection, far beyond anything he could have envisaged.

Jean Symons wishes to acknowledge the help of Dr Henry Oakeley. The original catalogue of the Symons collection was compiled over the ten years before the exhibition opening at the RCP in 1996. This edition, which includes photographs of every exhibit together with hallmarks and text, was prepared by Dr Henry Oakeley FRCP.

The photographs were taken by Sharon Kivland and Sophie Spencer-Wood, before the digital era, and scanned for publication. The panorama of the collection on the front cover is by Mike Fear.

Many items in the collection would have been familiar to the fellows of the RCP depicted by Thomas Rowlandson and Augustus Charles Pugin in the Long Room of the Royal College of Physicians building at Warwick Lane in 1808 (see below). The panelling and busts have been incorporated into the present Censors' Room.



Contents of Symons collection

Sections A – G refer to divisions in the glass display case in the Treasures Room at the Royal College of Physicians. Unless otherwise stated items in each section are in chronological order from left to right.

A B C E	E F G
---------	-------

SECTION A - Infant care and feeding nipple shields, ceramic spoons, pap boats	Page 9
SECTION B – Feeding medicine spoons, sick syphons	35
SECTION C – Self care ear trumpets, tongue scrapers , double-ended and folding spoons	60
SECTION D – Bleeding leeches, lancets, cupping	82
SECTION E – Diagnosis stethoscopes, tongue depressors, other diagnostic tools	98
SECTION F – Treatment pharmacy, sick room, thermometers, rectal, 'quack'	119
SECTION G – Apothecary jars and miscellaneous self -care	138

Some definitions

Pap was usually a mix of bread, flour, milk or water, with some recipes adding flour or drugs to soothe.

Posset was a hot drink made of sweetened milk and spices, curdled with wine or ale. Used as a remedy for a number of minor ailments. It was served in a spouted feeding cup. Whey could be poured off through the spout.

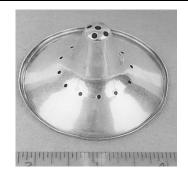
A sick syphon is a feeding aid which could be clipped onto a cup to suck up liquids, straining out any lumps. It was difficult to clean so was potentially lethal.

Nipple shield, silver Early 19th century

Phipps & Robinson, London, 1808

Probably used as pair with 119







No 118

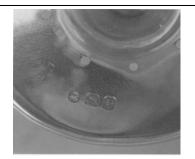
Nipple shield, silver Early 19th century

Phipps & Robinson, London, 1810

Probably used as pair with 118

No 119





Nipple shield, silver Early 19th century

London, 1810

No 495





Nipple shield, ivory Early 19th century

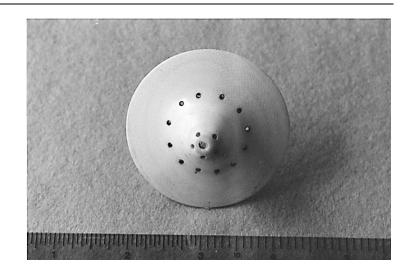
England, c.1810



Nipple shield, ivory Early 19th century

England, c.1820

No 564



Nipple shield, silver Early 19th century

T Nicholls, London, c.1825

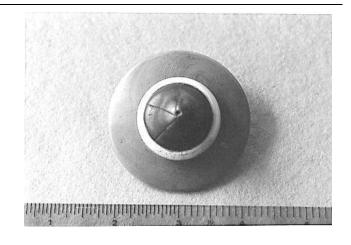
See letter *Lancet*, 8, 23 vii 1825

No 358



Nipple shield, ivory, wood and leather Early 19th century

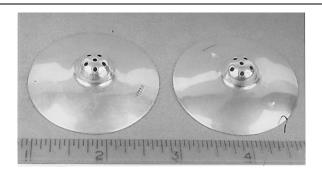
England, c.1830



Nipple shields, silver, pair Mid-19th century

John Weiss, London, c.1840

No 340



Nipple shield, lead Mid-19th century

England, c.1840

cf 204 Dr Wansbrough's

No 562



Nipple shield, ivory Mid-19th century

England, c.1840

No 401



Nipple shield, treen Mid-19th century

England





Nipple shields, silver, pair Mid-19th century

[America]

CS note: 'Crude'

No 379



Nipple shield, glass Mid-19th century

England c.1865

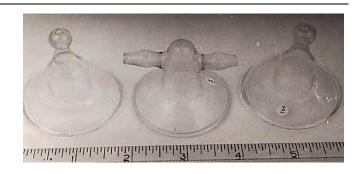
No 403



Nipple shields (two) and milk expressor, glass Late 19th century

England

No 164



Caul case with caul, silver, leather case, engraved 'RW'*
Early 19th century

England c.1820





^{*}RW monogram on front; inside Robert Williams, born 13 March, 1812. Green leather case with red velvet lining.

SECTION A – top shelf: on shelf, left to right

Breast pump in mahogany box Mid-19th century

H Wright, London

Inscribed: H. Wright Manufacturer No 18 London Road, London with Royal Coat of Arms above. This firm was at 18 London Rd 1843–67 (see EB)

On the base of the box is written 'sold by Thomas Rickard & Son, Senr, Doctor & Surgeons Instrument Maker, 72 Lord Street, Liverpool £1'.

See Maw's catalogue 1882 p 391, fig 4 Breast pump, brass

No 212



Breast glass, improved, for self use – boxed Late 19th century

S Maw, Son & Thompson, London

Address: Aldersgate Street on box. Maw catalogue 1882, Breast pumps p 391 – also 1905

No 178



Nipple erector, glass with rubber teat, 'Phenix', boxed* Late 19th century

Whitall Tatum Co, USA c.1880

*Originally listed as 'nipple shield'. Confirmed that it says Nipple Shield on box



SECTION A – top shelf: on shelf, left to right

Nipple shields, 'Macarthys natural nursing nipple shields'
Late 20th century

Macarthys Surgical Ltd, England 1986

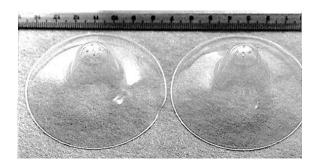
No 540



Nipple shields, 'Babysafe', silicone rubber Late 20th century

Cannon Babysafe, England 1986

No 539



Nipple shields, lead, boxed, Dr Wansbrough's Late 19th century

S Maw Son & Thompson, London

Dr Wansbrough's celebrated metallic shields for the prevention and cure of sore nipples, with full instructions

No 204



Feeding bottle, infant, black with cream slip decoration Early 19th century

Staffordshire c.1810

Ref: Antiques of the Pharmacy, Matthews, pl 18, p 22





SECTION A – top shelf: on shelf, left to right

Feeding bottle, infant, ceramic Early 19th century

Staffordshire c.1830

Ref: Infantilia, Arnold Haskell, pp 13, 14, 24, 36–7, 40, 50

No 199



Bubby (milk) pot (as introduced by Dr Hugh Smith in 1777) Late 18th century

[probably Wedgwood]* England c.1780



*See Crellin, p 188,fig 326 which is identical. It would also be worth looking at Drake's articles. Mentioned Matthews p 21 and also (with illustration) Ref: *Infantilia*, Arthur Haskell pp 34–36.

No 519

Child's spoon, mother of pearl, silver mounted Mid-17th century

Italy (prob) c.1650



SECTION A – top shelf: on slope, front to back

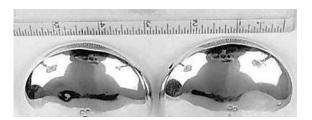
Nipple erectors, silver, 'pre-Woolwich' shields*
Early 19th century

William Eley II, London 1826

*Woolwich shields invented by Dr Waller in 1930!

No 427

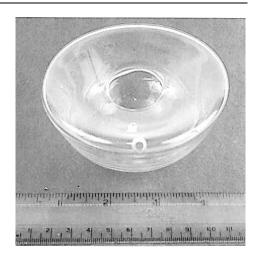




Nipple erector, glass Mid-19th century

England

No 442



Nipple erector, glass Mid-19th century

England

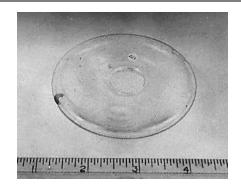


SECTION A – top shelf: on slope, front to back

Nipple erector, glass Late 19th century

England

No 177



Nipple erector, plastic Late 20th century

Eschmann, England 1983

In current use

No 582



SECTION A – centre shelf: back panel, top left to bottom right

Medicine spoon, ceramic, half covered Mid-19th century

Europe

See Crellin, pp 229, 230

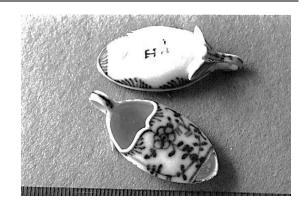
No 433



Medicine spoons, ceramic, half covered Mid-19th century

Meissen, Germany c.1860

No 537, 538



Medicine spoons, ceramic Mid-19th century

England

Cf 488; see Crellin, pp 228, 229

No 434

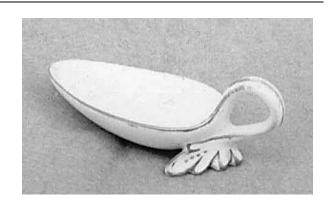


Medicine spoon, ceramic, 'fish tail' Mid-19th century

England c.1860

Cf 434; see Crellin, pp 228, 229

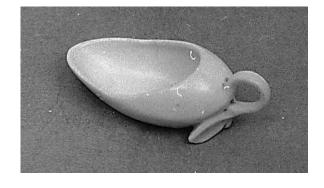
No 488



Medicine spoon, ceramic Mid-19th century

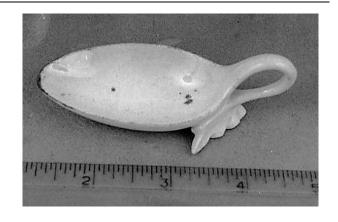
England c.1860

No 489



Medicine spoon, ceramic Mid-19th century

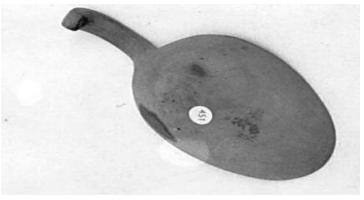
Staffordshire



Medicine spoon, wooden Mid-19th century

England c.1840

No 451



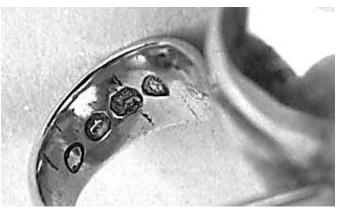


Medicine spoon, large, silver, Mid-19th century

London 1834

Adaptation of table spoon; handle re-curved later.





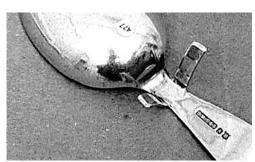
Medicine spoon with stand, EPNS Late 19th century

SMS & S, London c.1880

also marked 'A'

No 477

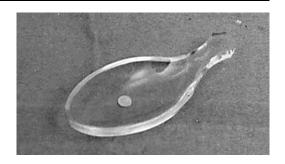




Medicine spoon, glass Late 19th century

England c.1880

No 483



Medicine spoon, silver, engraved WL Late 19th century

Francis Higgins, London 1894





Pap boat, silver, engraved Mid-18th century

Thomas Rush, London 1751

Initials MC on base

No 263





Pap boat, silver Mid-18th century

George Campar, London 1752





Pap boat, silver Late 18th century

SM, London 1768

No 206





Pap boat, silver, coin inset, possibly christening present, engraved Late 18th century

London 1773

Initials 'MCS'





Pap boat, silver Early 19th century

Thomas Meriton 1801

Engraved initials 'HC'

No 264





Pap boat, silver Early 19th century

William Bateman, London 1820





Pap boat, silver, gilt inside Early 19th century

R Emes & E Barnard, London 1812

CS note: Auctioned at Christies 7 Aug 1978, Lord Cohen's collection.

Description – `Geo III pap boat with anthemion border and leaf and scroll handle, by R Emes and E Barnard 1812.'

No 303





Pap boat with spout, silver Late 18th century

Willem Gottfried Lotter, Cape Town c.1780

CS note: Sold as American. Auctioned at Christies, S Ken, 7 Aug 1978. Described as from Lord Cohen's collection. `An invalid's feeding boat, mark only, WGL.'

Lord Cohen's lecture 1954 – picture and description: "handled pap-boat with sieve (Canadian)".'

CS says this is incorrect and that it is by Willem Gottfried Lotter, baptised 1748, worked 1770–1809, died Cape Town, 1810.





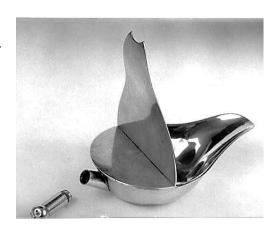
Pap boat with cover and spout, silver, engraved TC [Lord Cohen's] Late 19th century

Lattey Bros & Co, Calcutta c.1875

CS note: Sold at Christies 7 Aug 1978. Their description `An Indian Colonial white-metal invalid's feeding aid with cover, Lattey Bros, Calcutta c. 1850.' Probably Lord Cohen's.

No 306





Pap boat, cowrie shell, silver mount Mid-18th century

[England] c.1740

Engraved THW, and TC · RY





Pap boat, ceramic, half covered, raised decoration, Fell mark F Early 19th century

Staffordshire c.1830

See Crellin, fig 325, same shape

No 475



Pap boat, ceramic, Late 18th century

Chamberlain, Worcester c.1790

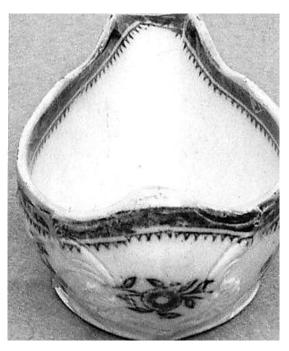
No 484



Pap boat, ceramic Early 19th century

Staffordshire c.1820

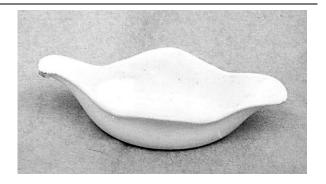




Pap boat or spoon, ceramic Late 18th century

Wedgwood, England c.1790

No 450

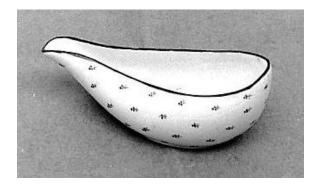


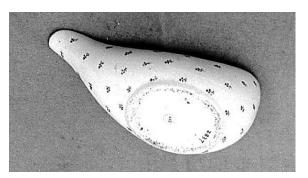
Pap boat, ceramic Early 19th century

Minton, England c.1825

Marked '2837' on base

No 448





Pap boat, ceramic, marked '010' Early 19th century

Staffordshire c.1820



Pap boat, pewter, With initial FH 1800 = Foundling Hospital Early 19th century

Dent, London 1800

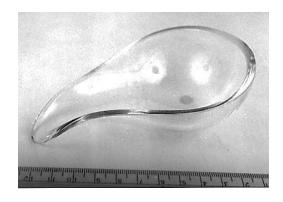
No 174



Pap boat, glass Mid-19th century

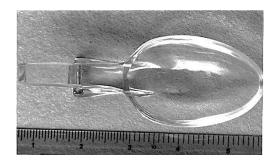
England

No 203



Medicine spoon, glass, incorporating stand Mid-19th century

England c.1865



Medicine spoon, gilt Mid-19th century

Austria c.1860

No 487





Medicine spoon, ceramic (brown) Early 19th century

Staffordshire c.1810

No 546

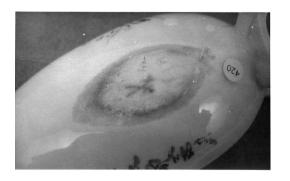


Medicine spoon, ceramic Mid-19th century

Meissen, Germany c.1860

cf 545 similar but smaller





Medicine spoon, ceramic Mid-19th century

Meissen, Germany c.1860

No 545



Medicine spoon with enamel red +, silver Early 20th century

Marked 'L+S', Birmingham 1903 No 194





Pap boat, wooden, carved `Martygni' Mid-19th century

Austria See EB pl XII `rare Austrian coquilla-nut pap boat c.1800'

No 325





Pap boat, wooden, carved Mid-19th century

Austria





Pap boat, ceramic, reproduction Late 20th century

Williamsburg 1983

No 465



SECTION A – bottom shelf: back left to front right

Feeding cup, ceramic Early 19th century

Wedgwood, England

No 262





Feeding cup, ceramic Early 19th century

Staffordshire



SECTION A – bottom shelf: back left to front right

Feeding cup, ceramic Mid-19th century

Staffordshire c.1860

No 307



Feeding cup, ceramic Late 19th century

England

No 436



Feeding cup, Sheffield plate Early 19th century

England c.1810

No 339



Medicine cup, double-dose, Sheffield plate Early 19th century

England c.1800



SECTION A – bottom shelf: back left to front right

Feeding cup, glass Mid-19th century

England c.1860

No 289

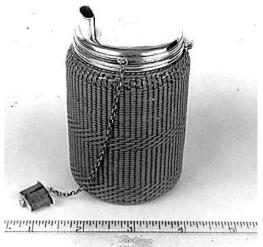


Feeding cup (flask) with attached stopper, silver, wicker, glass Early 19th century

George Reid, London 1831

No 257





Feeding cup with cover, 'spout cup', silver

Wooden side handle Early 19th century

Marked 'C.P.', London 1819

No 352





Feeding cup, travelling, detachable spout and

handle, silver Mid-19th century

England c.1845

Ref EB p 266





SECTION A – bottom shelf: back left to front right

Posset cup, silver, engraved Early 19th century

S Hougham, London 1815

No 348





Feeding cup with spout, ceramic Late 18th century

England c.1780

No 364



Posset cup, glass Mid-18th century

English c.1750

Ref EB p 269, this item





SECTION B – top shelf: back panels

Feeding spoon, silver, spouted, initials IAS pricked on back of trefid terminal Late 17th century

Lawrence Coles (Jackson p 138), London c 1680







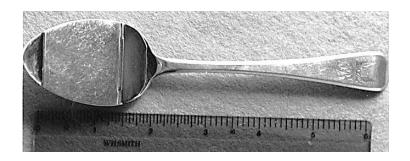
See correspondence with Glasgow Museums & Art Galleries: previously in the Stirling Maxwell Collection at Pollock House. Ref Apollo, vol 23, Jan–June 1936, p 214: 'Conspicuously rare is a plain feeding spoon with a trifid end and a pointed "rat-tail" and a long spout, dating from about 1685; it is engraved with the old initials, probably contemporary, of husband and wife S.A. The only mark is that of the maker, possibly I C, in a shaped punch, possibly a Scottish goldsmith. It was, perhaps, some such spoon as this which is described in an inventory of 1676 as an "instrument of silver for sicke body to suck drinke out of it". Fig.XIV'

No 500

Medicine spoon, hinged cover, silver, engraved Early 19th century

Wm Eley, London 1827

Engraved and crested





SECTION B – top shelf: back panels

Medicine spoon with feeding device, silver Early 19th century

CS, Charles Shipway, London 1833

Interesting variation on medicine spoon

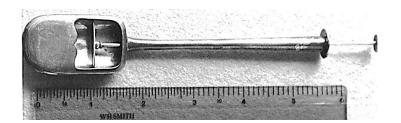
No 346



Medicine spoon, silver, with scoop and pushing device Late 19th century

Francis Higgins, London 1888

No 559





SECTION B – top shelf: left slope

Medicine spoon, pewter Late 19th century

A Caron, Paris

See entry for 381 (see next page)

No 381a





SECTION B – top shelf: left slope

Medicine spoon, pewter divided into two compartments (for nasty and sweet tastes) Late 19th century

A Caron, Paris



Seen in Medicine spoon, pewter, Wellcome Collection, Science Museum. Very similar by A Caron 19th century for 'invalids, children and lunatics'. Ref: Dorrault, *Catalogue Pharmaceutique*, 1877 (published 1985) seen in Pharmacy Museum Library, p 753 advert for spoon 'Cuiller Caron' 'pour prendre facilement et sans degout huile de foie demorues et autres medicaments'. Ancien maison Clayette et Guilbaud, successeur A LAGORSE jeune, rue St Martin 206 a Paris.

No 381

SECTION B – top shelf: centre slope, back left to front right

Medicine spoon, silver, crested Mid-18th century

T & W Chawner, London c.1765

Close in date to Duchess of Queensberry spoon (329), compare





SECTION B – top shelf: centre slope, back left to front right

Medicine spoon, silver Late 18th century

Hester Bateman, London 1783

No 134



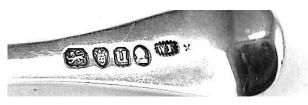


Medicine spoon, silver Late 18th century

Wm Eley, London 1795

No 386





Medicine spoon, silver, 'caddy type' Late 18th century

Europe





SECTION B – top shelf: centre slope, back left to front right

Caddy spoon, silver, pear-shaped bowl Early 19th century

Peter, Ann and William Bateman, London 1802

No 393

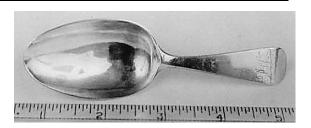




Medicine spoon, silver Early 19th century

W Sumner, London 1805

No 181





Medicine spoon, silver Early 19th century

TJ (Thomas Johnson), London

1813

No 183





Medicine spoon, silver Early 19th century

TS, London 1816





SECTION B – top shelf: centre slope, back left to front right

Medicine spoon, silver, crested (marquis) Early 19th century

Wm Eley & Wm Fearn, London 1817

No 384



SECTION B – top shelf: front, on raised blocks

Medicine spoon, silver, in shagreen case (Queensberry) Mid-18th century

Paul Callard, London c.1755

Catalogue 'Alexander James Collection of Early English Silver Spoons' – A rare George II medicine spoon, with plain oval bowl and Hanoverian turned up stem, engraved with letter S, and around the under part edge of the bowl 'Gift of the Duchess of Queensberry, to Lady Carbery', by Paul Callard, London, circa 1755, in original red velvet lined green shagreen case, 9 cm long. Ref: Symons, Jean 'A Duchess, a physician and a spoon' *College Commentary* (Oct, 2010).





SECTION B – top shelf: front, on raised blocks

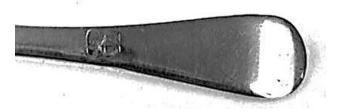
Medicine spoon, silver, engraved 'A Dutchess'*
Mid-18th century

Thos & William Chawner, London c.1765

*See Delieb's detailed note. Ref Delieb *Investing in silver*, p 28.

No 385





SECTION B – top shelf: right slope

Medicine spoon, silver plated, Lomas's Patent Late 19th century

[Lomas], England

No 486





Medicine spoon, silver, half covered bowl engraved P Mid-20th century

CWF, Sheffield 1934





SECTION B – top shelf: right slope

Medicine spoon, half covered, silver Mid-20th century

CJA, Sheffield 1936

Edward VIII Rd757667

No 221





Medicine spoon, half covered, silver Early 20th century

JT & Co, Sheffield 1925

No 182

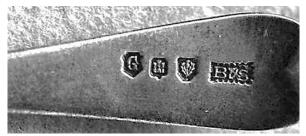




Medicine spoon, silver Early 20th century

B&S, Edinburgh 1912





SECTION B – top shelf: on shelf, front

Moustache spoon, silver plated, engraved 'WHS from KLS' Late 19th century

WH&S, England

No 219





Medicine spoon, silver, 5 ml (jubilee mark) Late 20th century

David Barker (DMB), London 1977



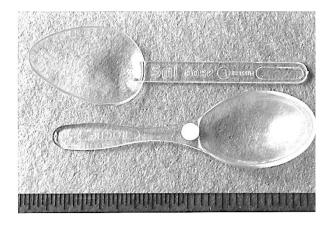
Commissioned as modern example to compare with earlier spoons (cf 329, 494, 130)

No 294



Medicine spoon, plastic, marked 5 ml and half dose Late 20th century

Roche, England c.1985



SECTION B – top shelf: on shelf, front

Tea spoon, stainless steel, engraved 'Tetley One Cup' Advertising round tea bags. Late 20th century

Sheffield 1990

No 576

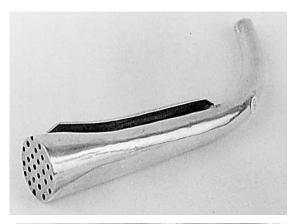


SECTION B – centre shelf: left slope, back left to front right

Sick syphon, silver, initialled 'ED' Late 17th century

DN, England c.1670

No 120

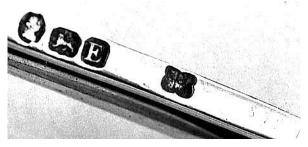




Sick syphon, silver Early 19th century

Phipps & Robinson, London 1800





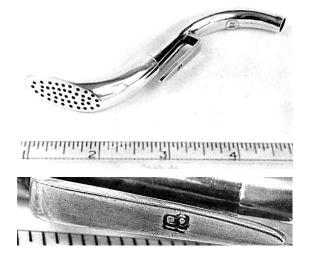
SECTION B – centre shelf: left slope, back left to front right

Sick syphon, silver, in two parts Early 19th century

[Europe] c.1800

Marked on hook, possibly continental maker, EB

No 315



Sick syphon, silver, sliding base Early 19th century

[America] c.1800

No 316

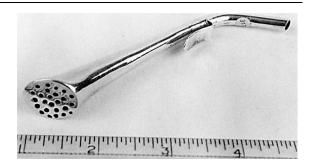


Sick syphon, silver Early 19th century

America c.1800

See EB p 268

No 317



Sick syphon, silver Early 19th century

Mary Ann Croswell, London 1827

Engraved and crested



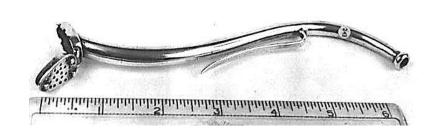


SECTION B – centre shelf: left slope, back left to front right

Sick syphon, silver Early 19th century

[America] c.1830

No 243



Sick syphon, silver Early 19th century

America c.1830

No 326



Sick syphon, silver Mid-19th century

[America] c.1850

No 406

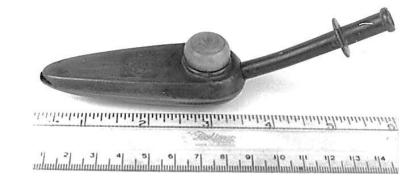


SECTION B - centre shelf: on stand

Castor oil spoon, `Gibson' type, with bung, pewter Mid-19th century

S Maw & Son, London c.1860

cf 580



SECTION B - centre shelf: on stand

Castor oil, bottle of 'finest', unopened Late 19th century

Morton Ltd, London

No 233





Castor oil spoon, Gibson type, ceramic Mid-19th century

England c.1840

cf 338

No 580



SECTION B – centre shelf: on shelf

Castor oil spoon, Gibson (engraved), silver, in leather case Early 19th century



Initials engraved CCS on spoon, CJS on syphon. See Agnes Lothian paper William Barratt, London 1827

Engraved on flange, C Gibson Inventor, 71 Bishopsgate St Within. *In case with sick syphon, see next page.



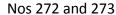
SECTION B – centre shelf: on shelf

Sick syphon, silver, in leather case with `Gibson' spoon
Early 19th century

Charles Rich, London 1828

*In case with 'Gibson' spoon 272. Initials CJS engraved on stem – spoon different CCS.





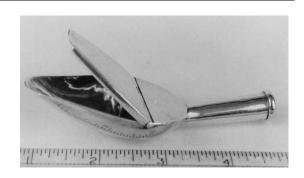




SECTION B – centre shelf: right slope, centre top, back left to right front

Castor oil spoon, silver Early 19th century

IR (John Reily), London 1821





SECTION B – centre shelf: right slope, centre top, back left to front right

Castor oil spoon, Gibson, pewter Early 19th century

Gibson, London 1828



Engraved 'Gibson Inventor' on cover by lid

No 141

Castor oil spoon, Gibson silver Early 19th century

Charles Gibson, London 1828



Engraved on stem: C Gibson, Inventor, 71 Bishopsgate St Within. This spoon was the one illustrated in 'Gibson's Spoon?' *JRCPL* Jan 1984:18(1).



Note (CS): Gibson is not inventor but maker to specifications of Dr Anthony Todd Thompson FRCP.

No 147

Castor oil spoon, silver Early 19th century

John Lawrence & Co, Birmingham 1828





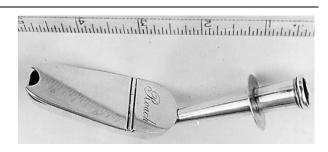
SECTION B – centre shelf: right slope, centre top, back left to front right

Castor oil spoon, silver Early 19th century

Riley and Storer (CR,GS), London 1829

Engraved 'Roach' on cover

No 122





Castor oil spoon, silver Early 19th century

Henry Flavelle, Dublin 1829

No 353





Castor oil spoon, 'Gibson' type, pewter Mid-19th century

England

Ref EB p 251

No 142



Castor oil spoon, 'Gibson' type, silver plated Mid-19th century

England c.1860



SECTION B – bottom shelf: back panel, top to bottom

Kitchen spoon, double ended, tin plated Early 19th century

England



Originally thought to be medical or veterinary but found to be kitchen spoon.

No 232

Kitchen spoon, double ended, silver, crested*
Mid-19th century



George Angell, London 1847

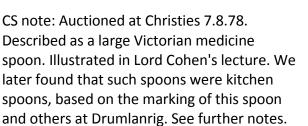
*cf 308, see detailed notes. Small K engraved under crest.

No 345

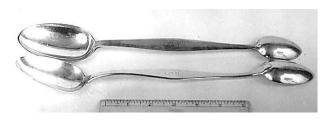


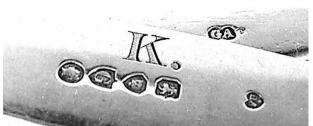
Kitchen spoon, double ended, silver, engraved K (Lord Cohen) Late 19th century

Francis Higgins, London 1882



cf 345. Engraved NR with K on reverse





SECTION B – bottom shelf: left slope, back to front

Medicine spoon, double ended, silver, engraved VMR Late 18th century

Thomas & William Chawner, London 1771

No 467

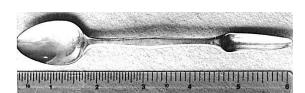




Medicine spoon, double ended, spoon/powder measure, silver, crested Early 19th century

Robert Rutland, London 1807

No 575





Medicine spoon, double ended, silver Mid-19th century

Francis Douglas, London

1839

No 207





Medicine spoon, double ended, silver Mid-19th century

George Adams, London 1852

Reverse bowls





SECTION B – bottom shelf: left slope, back to front

Medicine spoon, double ended, silver Mid-19th century

SH & DC, London 1856

No 368



Medicine spoon, double ended, silver, engraved Mid-19th century

London 1858

No 337





Medicine spoon, double ended, silver gilt Mid-19th century

TJ, London 1865

Baron's coronet above monogram





SECTION B – bottom shelf: centre slope left, back to front

Medicine spoon, double ended, silver Late 19th century

TS Thomas Stole, Exeter 1869

Engraved M.C. and Hargreaves

No 266





Medicine spoon, double ended, silver Late 19th century

Engraved 'TJ', London

1869

No 530





Medicine spoon, double ended, silver Late 19th century

John & Henry Lias, London 1867





SECTION B – bottom shelf: centre slope left, back to front

Medicine spoon, double ended, silver, with stand, engraved*
Mid-19th century

Keller, Paris c.1860

*engraved AA. See 496.

No 365





Medicine spoon, double ended, silver, with stand Late 19th century

Keller, Paris

c.1870

Crested. See 365.

No 496



Medicine spoon, double ended, silver Late 19th century

WW & FD, London 1871

Monogram HB





SECTION B – bottom shelf: centre slope right, back to front

Medicine spoon, double ended, silver Late 19th century

George Angell, London 1867

No 283





Medicine spoon, double ended, silver, measures marked Late 19th century

Francis Higgins, London 1881

No 314





Medicine spoon, double ended, silver, 'registered design' Late 19th century

WW & FD, London 1882

Reg. des: 18110





SECTION B – bottom shelf: centre slope right, back to front

Medicine spoon, double ended, silver, measured bowl Late 19th century

EH, London 1884

Marked 'dessert' round bowl with line, engraved initials

No 507





Medicine spoon, double ended, silver Late 19th century

George Unite, Birmingham 1897

No 414





Medicine spoon, double ended, silver Early 20th century

CIF, London 1901

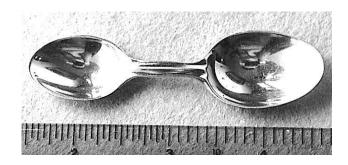


SECTION B – bottom shelf: right slope, back to front

Medicine spoon, double ended, silver gilt, child's Early 20th century

London 1908

No 493





Medicine spoon, double ended, silver gilt Early 20th century

London 1909

Engine turned

No 422



Medicine spoon, double ended, silver Early 20th century

HA & S, London 1922



SECTION B – bottom shelf: right slope, back to front

Medicine spoon, double ended, silver Mid-20th century

H&I, Edinburgh 1955

No 447





Medicine spoon, double ended, silver Late 20th century

Garrard, London 1973

Engraved 'S.C.W.'

No 256





Medicine spoon, double ended, plastic, 100 and 200 mg Late 20th century

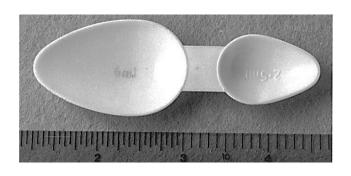
Depakinesirop, France c.1985

No 556



Medicine spoon, double ended, plastic, 2.5 and 5 ml Late 20th century

England 1988



SECTION B – bottom shelf: right slope, back to front

Medicine spoon, double ended, plastic, salt/sugar*
Late 20th century



Talc 30, London c.1985

*As used on student elective in third world country. Instructions: 'to MAKE the dose add to each cup of water 1 level scoop of sugar (A) 1 level scoop of salt (B). TAKE the dose after every diarrhoea. A CHILD must take 1 dose, an ADULT must take 2 doses. BOTTLE FED BABIES – seek advice before use. TASTE – do not use if more salty than tears.'

No 555

SECTION C – top: back panel

Ear trumpet, silver, in three parts, arms of Milton & Golbourne
Early 19th century

Rawlings and Sumner CR,GS, London 1833

ref EB p 228







SECTION C - top: back panel

Ear trumpet, silver plated, Mid-19th century

Rein, London c.1865



Engraved: FC Rein & Son Patentees, inventors & makers 108 Strand London

ref EB pp 227, 229 pl 4

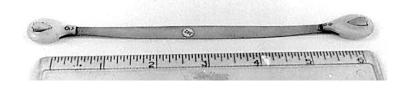
No 157



SECTION C – centre shelf : back panel, clockwise

Tongue scraper, silver and mother of pearl, directoire* Late 18th century

France c.1795



*Epoque directoire (1795–9), poinçon Faisceau de licteur [hall-mark – (bundle) fasces of lector] Harrap.

No 382

Tongue scraper, gold, strip Early 19th century

France c.1800



There is a reference to a gold tongue scraper in 'A Princess Remembers' (*Memoirs of the Maharani of Jaipur*) paperback edition, 1976, p 13

SECTION C – centre shelf: back panel, clockwise

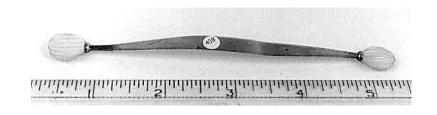
Tongue scraper, silver and mother of pearl (carved) Early 19th century

France

c.1800

Marked

No 408





Tongue scraper, ivory and tortoiseshell Early 19th century

England c.1800

No 330



Tongue scraper, silver Early 19th century

John Douglas, London c.1810

No 511





Tongue scraper, silver, strip Early 19th century

England c.1820



SECTION C – centre shelf: back panel, clockwise

Tongue scraper, ivory and tortoiseshell Early 19th century

England c.1820

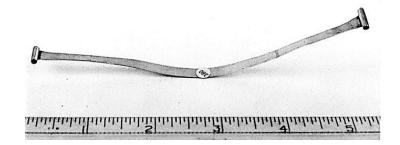
No 526



Tongue scraper, silver Early 19th century

England c.1820

No 380



Tongue scraper, silver Early 19th century

France c.1830

No 514



Tongue scraper, silver, strip Early 19th century

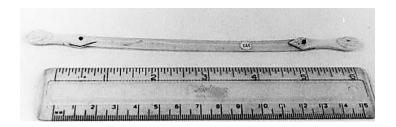
J.D., London c.1820

No 474



Tongue scraper, ivory Mid-19th century

England c.1840

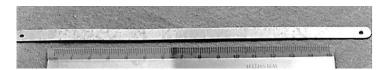


SECTION C – centre shelf: back panel, clockwise

Tongue scraper, plastic Late 20th century

India c.1988

No 571



SECTION C – centre shelf: left and right slopes, back row

Tongue scraper, silver Early 19th century

Phipps & Robinson (TP, ER, JP), London 1814

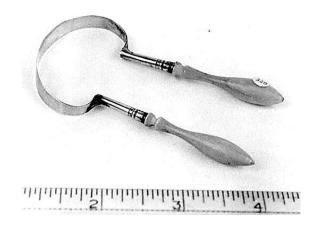
No 224





Tongue scraper, silver and ivory Early 19th century

England



SECTION C – centre shelf: left and right slopes, back row

Tongue scrapers, silver with green ivory handles
Early 19th century

England c.1830

No 542 on left; No 543 on right



Tongue scraper, silver and ivory, crested handle Early 19th century

England c.1800

No 389



Tongue scraper, silver and ivory Mid-19th century

England c.1840

No 350

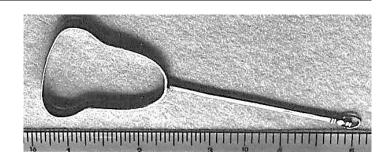


Tongue scraper, silver Mid-19th century

France

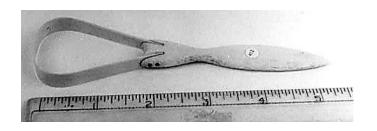
Marked

No 577



Tongue scraper, ivory Late 19th century

England



SECTION C – centre shelf: left and right slopes, back row

Tongue scraper, ivory and tortoiseshell Late 19th century

England

No 234



Tongue scraper, ivory and tortoiseshell Late 19th century

England c.1870

No 376



Tongue scraper, ivory and tortoiseshell Late 19th century

H&S.N.O.*, London c.1870

*supplied by Prout, 229 Strand

No 349





SECTION C – centre shelf: left and right slopes, front row

Tongue scraper, silver and ivory Late 18th century

England c.1780



SECTION C – centre shelf: left and right slopes, front row

Tongue scraper, silver Early 19th century

Thomas Peacock, London 1800

No 513

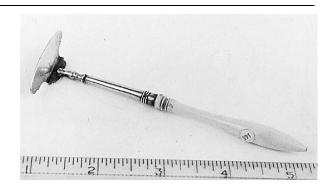




Tongue scraper, silver and ivory Early 19th century

England c.1800

No 391



Tongue scraper, silver-gilt and ivory Early 19th century

England c.1800

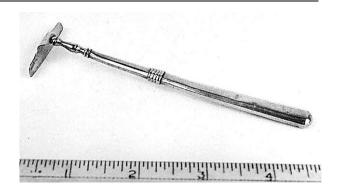


SECTION C – centre shelf: left and right slopes, front row

Tongue scraper, silver Early 19th century

England

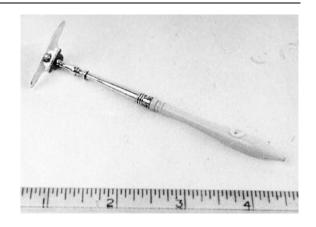
No 270



Tongue scraper, silver with ivory handle Early 19th century

England

No 413

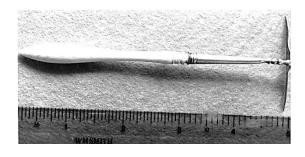


Tongue scraper, silver and ivory Early 19th century

England

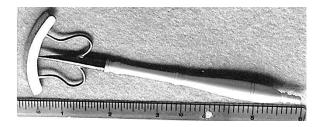
c.1810

No 534



Tongue scraper, silver with ivory handle, 'lyre shape' Early 19th century

England c.1820



SECTION C – centre shelf: left and right slopes, front row

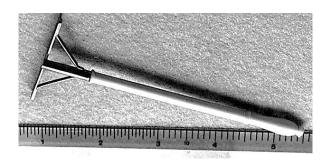
Tongue scraper, silver and ivory, serrated Early 19th century

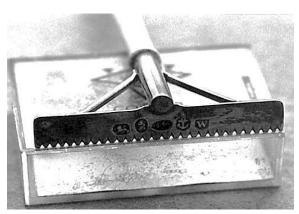
Joseph Willmore, Birmingham 1820

See Delieb Silver Boxes, p 118 re Willmore.



No 502

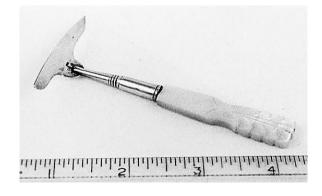




Tongue scraper, silver with mother of pearl handle
Mid-19th century

England

No 341



Tongue scraper, ivory and tortoiseshell Late 19th century

France



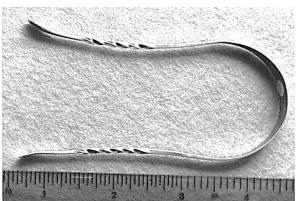
SECTION C – centre shelf: centre slope, back row

Tongue scraper, silver Late 18th century

?T Daniel, London c.1775

No 499

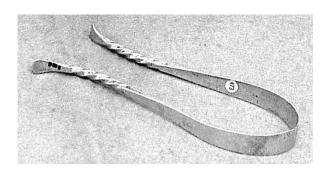




Tongue scraper, silver Late 18th century

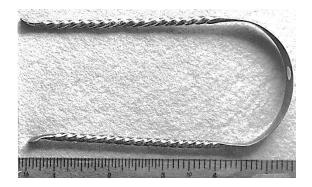
James Darquits, London 1798

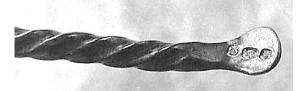
No 473



Tongue scraper, silver Early 19th century

London 1818



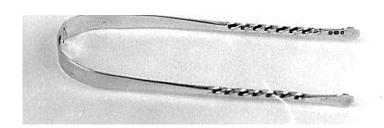


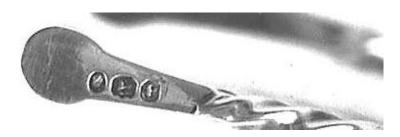
SECTION C – centre shelf: centre slope, back row

Tongue scraper, silver Early 19th century

James Jackson, London 1830

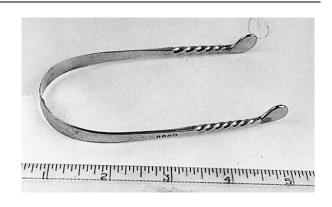
No 133





Tongue scraper, silver Mid-19th century

Rawlings & Sumner, London 1842





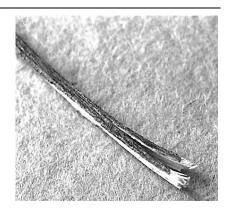
SECTION C – centre shelf: centre slope, in centre

Tongue scraper, wood, from neem tree at Sarnath Late 20th century

Nature + JS!, India 1989

Origin of tongue scrapers.

Collected on RCP tour to India in 1989.



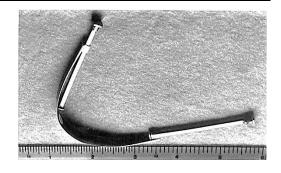
No 572



Tongue scraper, silver-gilt Early 19th century

Phipps & Robinson, London 1805

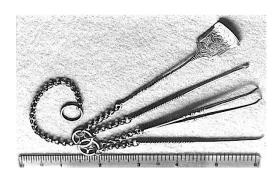
No 551





Tongue scraper, tweezers, ear and tooth picks on chain, steel Late 17th century

Germany c.1680

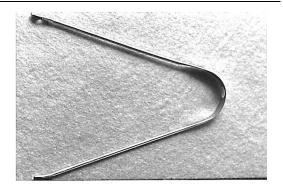


SECTION C – centre shelf: centre slope, front right

Tongue scraper, tin Late 20th century

India c.1988

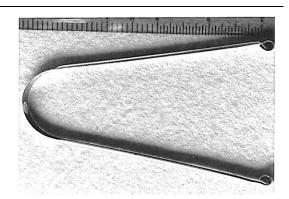
No 570



Tongue scraper, tin Late 20th century

India c.1985

No 554



SECTION C – centre shelf: centre slope, front left

Tongue scraper and ear spoon, silver-gilt Mid-18th century

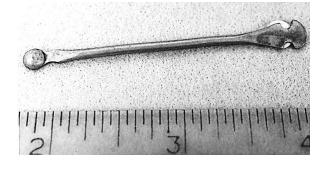
France Marked

No 560



Ear pick and toothpick, silver gilt Late 18th century

[England]

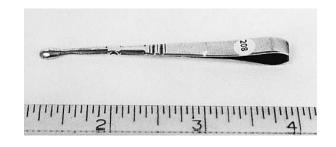


SECTION C – centre shelf: centre slope, front left

Ear spoon and hair tweezer, silver Early 19th century

John Wilmore, Birmingham c.1810

No 208

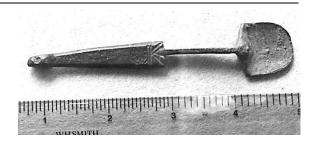


SECTION C – bottom shelf: back panel

Medical spoon, measuring, bronze, decorated shaft 2nd–3rd century AD

Lebanon

No 552

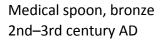


Medical spoon (or surgical), bronze 2nd–3rd century AD

Roman (east)

Ref on label: cf Milne, pl XIII, 1

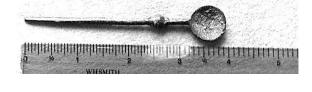
No 516



Roman (east)

No 515





Measuring spoon, bronze, with engraved decoration 10th–12th century

Byzantine



SECTION C – bottom shelf: centre slope, back row (centre, left, right) NB Left slope included in SECTION B

Medicine spoon, double ended, folding, silver, engraved LR Late 18th century

James Gilsland IG, Edinburgh 1776

No 479





Medicine spoon, double ended, folding, silver gilt Mid-19th century

France 1838

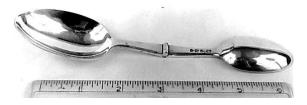
No 370





Medicine spoon, double ended, folding, silver Late 19th century

JSH, London 1892







SECTION C – bottom shelf: centre slope, centre row

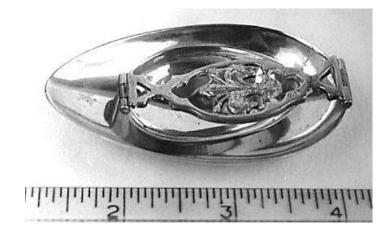
Medicine spoon, double ended, folding, silver, 'fleur de lys' Late 19th century

Europe cf 213, 456

Marked 800

No 324

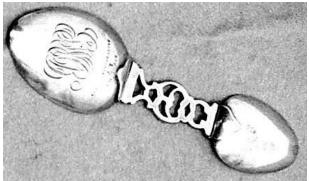




Medicine spoon, double ended, folding, silver, monogram
Late 19th century

Bailey Banks & Biddle Co, Boston Sterling 17 mark





SECTION C – bottom shelf: centre slope, centre row

Medicine spoon, double ended, folding, silver Late 19th century

USA

Marked Sterling 18

No 213



Medicine spoon, double ended, folding, silver Late 19th century

R B Co, USA

Marked Sterling

No 301





Medicine spoon, double ended, folding, in tooled case, silver Late 19th century

Europe





SECTION C – bottom shelf: centre slope, front row

Medicine spoon, folding, with clock, silver Early 20th century

JC, London 1932



Clock to register time of next dose

No 466





անվութերինի և հուրեր

Medicine spoon, double ended, folding, silver Early 20th century

George Jensen, Denmark 1932

London Import mark No 541







Medicine spoon, double ended, folding, in purse, silver
Early 20th century

Robert & Belk, Sheffield 1927







SECTION C – bottom shelf: centre slope, front row

Medicine spoon, folding, with corkscrew, nickel, patent – advertising*
Early 20th century

Burroughs Wellcome & Co, England

*'Tabloids of compressed drugs, hazeline cream, Kepler extract and essence of malt, Kepler solution of cod liver oil. Digestive, demulcent, strengthening. Hazeline beef and iron wine.'

No 395





SECTION C – bottom shelf: right slope, back to front

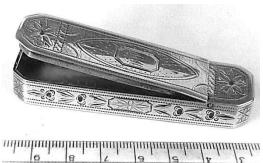
Toothpick case, silver Late 18th century

S Pemberton, Birmingham

1793

No 237

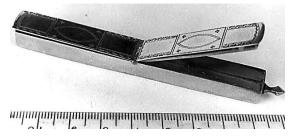




Toothpowder box, silver Late 18th century

IT Joseph Taylor, Birmingham 1798





SECTION C – bottom shelf: right slope, back to front

Toothbox, red leather, cont. silver brush, scraper, box*
Late 18th century

WP Wm Purrier, London 1796

*All engraved ER









Toothpick, ivory horse head in agate and ormolu case
Early 19th century

Germany c.1800

No 441



Toothbrush with bristle guard, silver Early 19th century

Lockwood and Douglas, London 1801



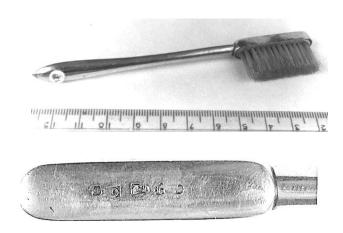


SECTION C – bottom shelf: right slope, back to front

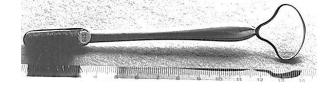
Toothbrush, silver and ivory Early 19th century

LT, Birmingham 1812

No 139

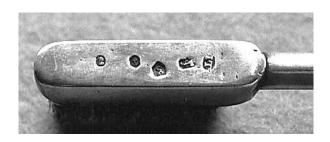


Toothbrush with tongue scraper at end of handle, silver Early 19th century



IT Joseph Taylor, Birmingham 1804

No 578



Dental mirror, folding, silver Mid-19th century

TJ, London 1864

Engraved





SECTION C – bottom shelf: right slope, back to front

Toothbrush with ivory handle* Late 19th century

Russia

*Baltic Productions Company + Russian script

No 529



Dental scaling set (6 scalers + ivory handle), probably personal Mid-19th century

John Weiss & Son, London

Black leather case, purple velvet inside

No 321



SECTION D – top shelf

Leech box, cube, pewter Early 19th century

England c.1820



SECTION D – top shelf

Leech carrying case, pewter Mid-19th century

E White,* London c.1840

*Stamp: E White, 95 Cannon St

No 102





Leech jar, ceramic, transferred: leeches & NH Late 19th century

[Staffordshire]

Ref: Pugh, Naval ceramics, 1971, p 97

NH stands for Naval Hospital

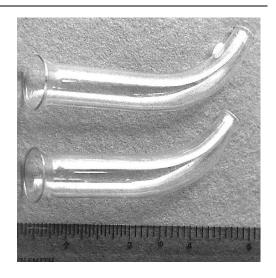


SECTION D - top shelf

Leech applicator tubes (two), glass Late 19th century

England c.1870

No 579

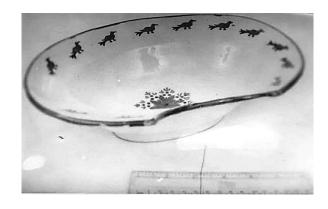


SECTION D – centre shelf: back panel

Barber's bowl, ceramic. Also used as a bleeding bowl Early 19th century

Europe c.1800

No 309



SECTION D – centre shelf: on shelf, centre

Bleeding bowl, pewter, with graduation lines Mid-18th century

England



SECTION D – centre shelf: on shelf, centre

Bleeding bowl, pewter, 'St B H', Mid-19th century

England c.1840

Graduated: 8,12,16,20,24

No 377



SECTION D – centre shelf: on shelf, front, left to right

Scarificator, silver, single-bladed, in shagreen case, engraved Late 18th century

France

CS note: 'Rush' type, Wynter calls it scarifier, EB scarificator – previously listed as lancet (American usage). Total confusion! (see 172 below)

No 214



Lancet case, silver (six lancets), seal base, engraved 1732* Early 18th century

London 1716

cf 318 *on top – T. Raggett 1732. Monogram on base.





Blades identical to 'Tax' in 318 (ref EB = 1705). Six lancets, with silver mounts and tortoiseshell shields, all similar, original?





SECTION D – centre shelf: on shelf, front, left to right

Lancet case, silver (six lancets) Early 18th century

London 1716

cf 354.Ref EB p 278 – illustrated. Six identical silver mounted blades, all marked TAX: ref EB Thomas Tax, Lombard St. 1705

No 318

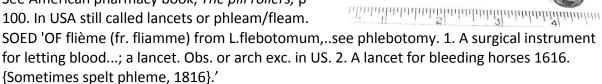


Scarificator, single-bladed, brass, leather case Early 19th century

Europe

Type used by Benjamin Rush

See American pharmacy book, *The pill rollers*, p 100. In USA still called lancets or phleam/fleam.



No 172



Lancet case, shagreen with silver mounts, (space for six lancets) crested Mid-18th century

England c.1750

Monogram 'FM'



SECTION D - centre shelf: left stand, back to front

Lancet case, carved tortoiseshell (two lancets)
Mid-18th century

London c.1765

Carved in a chinoiserie design Blades: Weiss, London (new)

No 536





Lancet case, mother of pearl with silver mounts, engraved (space for four lancets)
Late 18th century

England c.1790

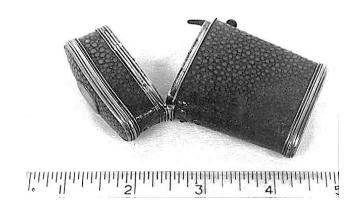
cf 388; space for four lancets – lined red velvet, Chinoiserie design (people and houses)

No 360



Lancet case, shagreen with silver mounts (space for six lancets)
Late 18th century

England c.1800



SECTION D – centre shelf: left stand, back to front

Lancet case, banded shagreen and silver (one lancet) Late 18th century

England c.1800

Blade – Thomas

No 236



Lancet case, octagonal, shagreen (six lancets) Early 19th century

France c.1800

Four horn, two tortoiseshell lancets Three of the lancets made in Paris



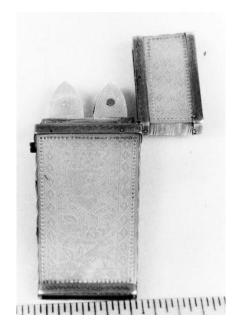
SECTION D - centre shelf: left stand, back to front

Lancet case, mother of pearl with silver mounts, engraved (two mother-of-pearl lancets)
Early 19th century

England c.1810

Two Lancets – Gay, Kirkgate, Leeds Engraved RS

No 388

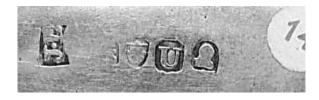


SECTION D – centre shelf: right stand, back to front

Lancet case, silver (six lancets) Early 19th century

JD, London 1815

Space for six lancets, contains five, all different makes: one steel, four tortoiseshell marked London, Lif Prior (EB 1826), Price (EB mid-19th century)





SECTION D – centre shelf: right stand, back to front

Lancet case, cylindrical boxwood (six lancets) Early 19th century

France c.1820

Blades marked Marmier – St Brieuc

No 521



Lancet case, silver (two mother-of-pearl faced lancets), crested*
Mid-19th century

Taylor & Perry, Birmingham, 1837

Blades: Whyte (Dublin mid-19th century) unused. *Initials AF

.. ...

No 492





Lancet case, silver (two lancets), engraved Mid-19th century

Joseph Willmore, Birmingham 1834

'chased with flowers and scrolling foliage'. Engraved 'RH'. Two lancets by different makers: 1 Woolhouse Superior (ref EB Sheffield 1818); 2 VR Armitage (ref EB London 1843).





SECTION D – centre shelf: right stand, back to front

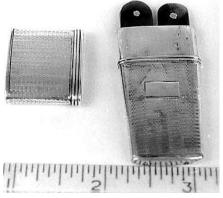
Lancet case, silver (two lancets) Mid-19th century

George Clements, London 1839

Engine turned. Lancets steel and tortoiseshell, one marked Savigny & Co.

No 235



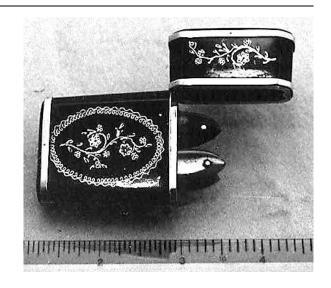


Lancet case, piqué (four lancets) Mid-19th century

England c.1840

Blades all S Maw, Son Thompson, London

No 504

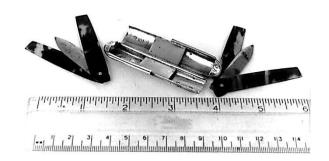


Lancet case, silver (two lancets), inscribed*
Mid-19th century

TD, Birmingham 1854

cf 295 similar. *Inscribed Sir John Marjoribanks Bt. 27 July 1858 Blades: Weiss London







SECTION D – centre shelf: right stand, back to front

Lancet case, silver (two lancets), engraved EF Mid-19th century

Joseph Taylor, Birmingham, 1856

cf 320 similar

Blades: Wilson

No 295





Lancet case, silver (four lancets), engraved Mid-19th century

HC, London 1863

Four lancets by different makers: 1 C Blackwell (ref EB 1826). 2..HITFOR.. 3 Thompson 4 Evans. Therefore used and replaced.

No 259





Lancet case, silver (two lancets), inscribed* Mid-19th century

Edward Smith, Birmingham 1863

*From John Walker to James Cooper. Blade: Reay (Liverpool)





Cupping set in box, engraved 'John Stubbs Surgeon' Early 19th century

Savigny, London

John Stubbs practised 1822–59. Contains scarificator (12 blades) Savigny & Co – could be 1798–1859, two cupping glasses, lamp and spirit bottle

Similar to set illustrated in EB (smaller) dated 1805

No 227







Cupping set, in leather case Mid-19th century

Millikin, London

Seven glasses, one missing; *Scarificator (eight blades) address 9 St Thomas St, Borough. Similar shaped case shown in EB p 46 pl 44 Newspaper in a cup dated April 1852.





SECTION D – bottom shelf: back

Cupping set, 'Pompa' ventouse, with instructions Early 20th century

Pompa, France

Syringe attaches to glasses by suction. Eight cups and pump

No 490





Scarificator, steel
19th century(I)/20th century(e)

Soux, Marseilles

No 254



SECTION D – bottom shelf: centre slope

Scarificator, brass, 16 blades, decorated

Mid-18th century

England c.1740

Ref EB p 48



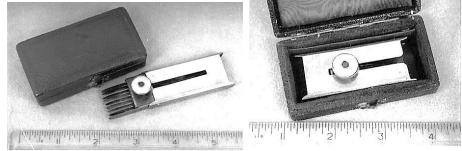


SECTION D – bottom shelf: centre slope

Scarificator, steel, double ended, in case Late 19th century

Collin et Cie, Paris c.1870

No 417





Scarificator, brass Late 19th century

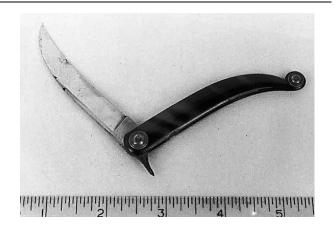
Weiss, London c.1870

No 131



Scalpel, tortoiseshell guard Late 18th century

Beet, England c.1770



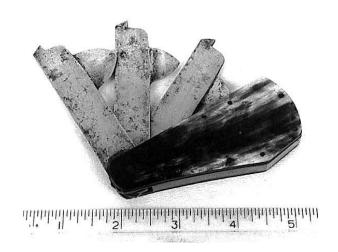
SECTION D – bottom shelf: centre slope

Phleam, veterinary, three blades Early 19th century

Hoeson, Europe c.1820

See note on Fleams (172) and *The country* animal doctor, p 15, A Ingham, Shire Album 40

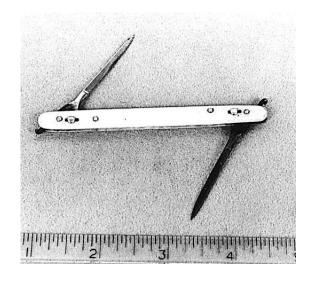
No 137



Scalpel, ivory handle Mid-19th century

England

No 171



SECTION D – bottom shelf: on shelf, front, left and right

Bleeding horn 18th century

Sweden

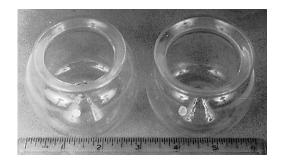


SECTION D – bottom shelf: on shelf, front, left and right

Cupping glasses, pair Late 18th century

England

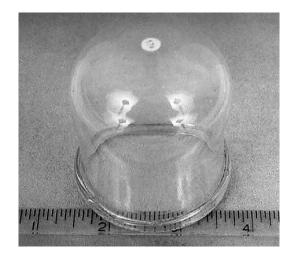
No 244



Cupping glass Mid-19th century

England

No 176



Cupping glass, moulded Late 19th century

USA



SECTION D – bottom shelf: on shelf, front, left and right

Cupping glass
Early 20th century

France

No 458



SECTION E – top shelf: back panels

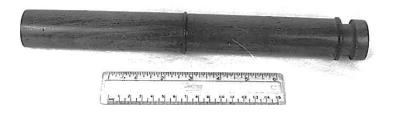
Stethoscope, Laënnec, wood Early 19th century

France

c.1820

Similar to those illustrated from Musée Laënnec de Nantes, Laënnec exhibition catalogue, Paris 1981 p 55





SECTION E – top shelf: back panels

Stethoscope, Piorry, inc. percussor in leather case, pine / ivory
Mid-19th century

[England]* c.1840

Vendor's description: Rare turned pine stethoscope with ivory ends (incorporating a percussor) and showing a feature of the earlier Laënnec model; with original leather carrying case. Ref: 'De la percussion médiate', Paris 1828, Pierre-AdolphePiorry (1794–1879). *See catalogue 'Atout Coeur', 1973

No 415





SECTION E – top shelf: on raised block, left

Stethoscope, tortoiseshell and gold, in leather case Mid-19th century

FS Averio Labriola,* Naples c.1850

*Label reads: FSAL (above), Tartarucara, 290 Riviera di Chiaja, Napoli – in lid and also on bottom of case which is black leather with white silk lined lid; instrument lies on blue-grey velvet





SECTION E – top shelf: on raised block, back row

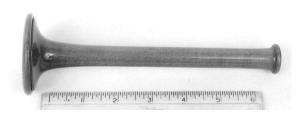
Stethoscope: Williams, wood, with reversible

earpiece

Mid-19th century

England

No 154

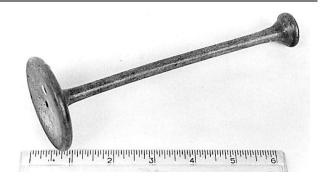




Stethoscope, wood (warped) Mid-19th century

England

No 185



Stethoscope, wood and ivory Mid-19th century

England c.1855



SECTION E – top shelf: on raised block, back row

Stethoscope, wood, with ivory screw and earpiece, shank two parts
Mid-19th century

Simpson, London

c.1850

Stamped 'Simpson, 55 Strand'

No 105



Stethoscope, wood, long* Mid-19th century

England c.1860

*CS note: Long (against fleas) used in slum practice 'Ward 14' as used at St Thomas's; still illustrated in Down's catalogue in 1901

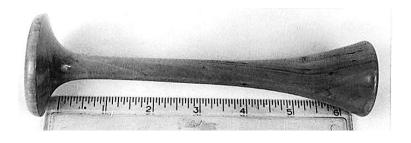
No 366



SECTION E – top shelf: on shelf, centre row

Stethoscope, wood Late 19th century

England c.1880



SECTION E – top shelf: on shelf, centre row

Stethoscope, wood Mid-19th century

England

No 167



Stethoscope, wood Mid-19th century

England

No 155



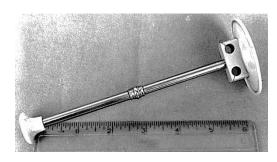


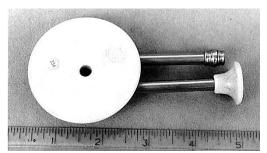
SECTION E – top shelf: on shelf, front row

Stethoscope, portable, ivory and nickel plated, in three parts*
Late 19th century

England

*Identical stethoscope exhibited at Wellcome Collection





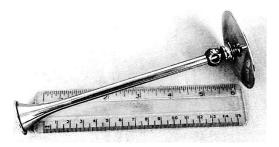
SECTION E – top shelf: on shelf, front row

Stethoscope, portable, brass Late 19th century

England

c.1870

No 418

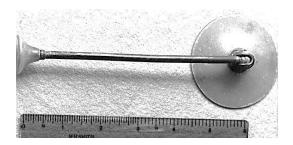




Stethoscope, folding, celluloid and nickel Late 19th century

England c.1880

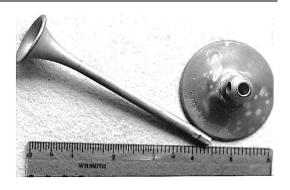
Removed for conservation reasons
No 517



Stethoscope, portable, marked 'Koranyi-Stethoskop'* Late 19th century

Budapest, 1885

*Baron Frederick de Koranyi, University of Budapest





SECTION E – top shelf: on shelf, front row

Stethoscope, folding, 'top hat', silver, engraved
Late 19th century

JC & Co, Edinburgh 1894

Engraved: 'James Smith MD 4 Brunton Place Edinr.'

MD Edin. 1894. Joint author 'Two cases of appendicitis successfully treated by operation', 1895. d.29 May 1914 – asthma attended by pulmonary complications which proved fatal (*BMJ* 6.6.14)



OWNER DE 10

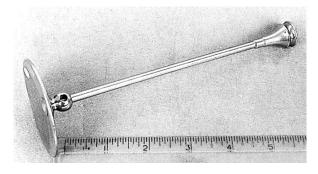


No 123

Stethoscope, portable, stainless steel Early 20th century

England

No 156





Stethoscope, glass Late 19th century

England, c.1880





SECTION E – centre shelf: back panel

Stethoscope, early binaural Late 19th century

England c.1870

Ref EB p 166

No 310



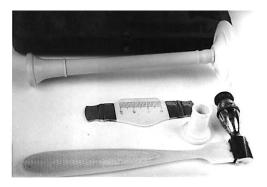
Stethoscope, percussor, pleximeter, ivory, in case – maroon leather lined purple velvet
Mid-19th century

Probably Charrière, Paris c.1850

See 432

17 rue de grenelle, Paris 7 – found at Foire de St Sulpice





SECTION E – centre shelf: back panel

Sphygmographe de Marey, case marked 'W Broadbent'* Late 19th century

Charles Verdin, Paris c.1870



*Sir William Broadbent (1835-1907) cardiologist and physician to King Edward VII. Invented in 1860 by Dr Etienne-Jules Marey, French physician (1830–1904) and made by Charles Verdin, Constructeur 7 rue Linné, Paris 'blind stamped'.

In Arnold & Sons catalogue 1873, improved version, ill.p 77

Sir William was a Francophile and organised exchange visits between French and English doctors.

No 343

Balance, coin/guinea scale Late 18th century

Joseph Ridgard, London

Address (in box) 109 In the Borough. Also `A Portugal piece, 1/2, 1/4, 1/8, 1/16 A Moidore, 1/2, 1/4

A Guinea, 1/2, 1/4'

See Pinto – Treen or small woodware p 58 & pl 68 Ref: Scales and Balances, JT Graham, Shire P 28–29: Portugal pieces and moidores in circulation. To meet the confusion several new types of scales were produced, one patented 1753. A 'new standard' guinea and half guinea introduced in 1774.





SECTION E – centre shelf: back panel

Cautery and lamp, in brown leather lined case Mid-19th century

England c.1835

Brown leather case – metal strip on lid – red velvet/silk lining

No 319





SECTION E – centre shelf: on shelf

Percussor and graduated pleximeter, Dr Bennett, cased Late 19th century

London c.1870

Ref EB p 163



SECTION E - centre shelf: on shelf

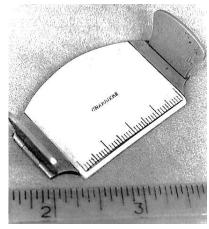
Pleximeter, ivory and silver. Piorry Mid-19th century

Charrière, Paris c.1850

See 431

Identical to illustration in catalogue of Laënnec exhibition, Paris 1981, p 68, belonging to Musée d'Histoire de la Médicine

No 432





Stethometer, devised by Sir Richard Quain,* cased Late 19th century

Delolme,** London c.1870

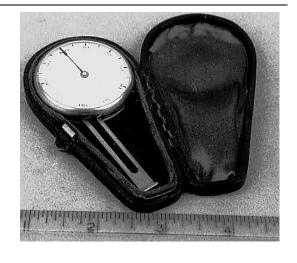


- *1816-98; engraved on the back 'Dr Quain's Stethometer'
- **Delolme, Rathbone Place. In Arnold & Son's catalogue 1873, p 77 (RSM)

No 245

Stethometer, described by F Gibson, 1846, cased Mid-19th century

C Becker, London c.1860

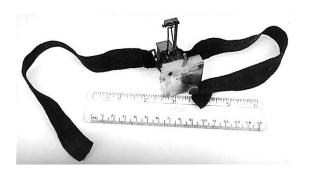


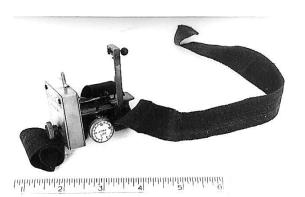
SECTION E – centre shelf: on shelf

Dudgeon polygraph, no 3150 Late 19th century

S Maw Son & Thompson, London c.1890

No 113



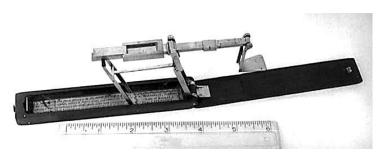


Guinea scales, brass and mahogany, instructions in lid Late 18th century

A Wilkinson, Ormskirk* c.1798

*Nr Liverpool (late of Kirby) Ref: Pinto, *Treen or small woodware* throughout the ages, Batsford 1949, pp 58–9, pl 68 (almost identical)

Ref: Scales and balances, JT Graham, Shire p 29 – introduced by Anthony Wilkinson about 1774. Due to imitators Wilkinson labelled his scales about 1798. Guinea not minted after 1799.





SECTION E – centre shelf: on shelf

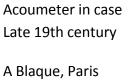
Hearing aids, pair in box, silver Mid-19th century

The Naturton Co,* London c.1840

*83 Pall Mall SW1 (in lid)

No 302





c.1880



SECTION E – centre shelf: on stand and raised blocks

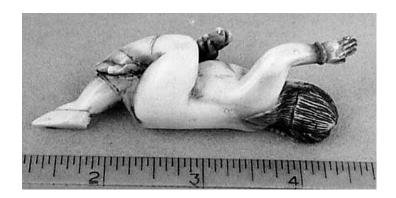
Medicine doll, Chinese, ivory 19th century

China

Checked Phillips, Nicholas Shaw

No 430

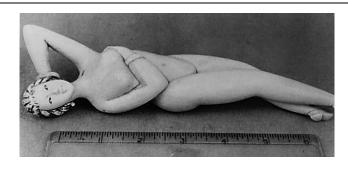




Medicine doll, Chinese, ivory 19th century

China

Checked Phillips, Nicholas Shaw





SECTION E – centre shelf: on raised block

Phrenology seal, ceramic with brass base Early 20th century

England

Vendor's note: Age difficult to estimate. Heyday of phrenology was first half of the 19th century and by 1875 it had declined; revival in the early 20th century that lasted until 1914. Probably dates from that period





SECTION E – bottom shelf: left slope, back to front

Tongue depressor, silver Late 18th century

[Richard Andrews], [London] c.1770

No 387





Tongue depressor, silver, crested Early 19th century

Anne Robertson, Newcastle c.1800





SECTION E – bottom shelf: left slope, back to front

Tongue depressor, silver Early 19th century

IW John Walton, Newcastle 1813

No 265

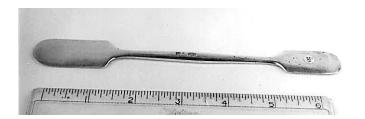




Tongue depressor and spatula, double ended, silver Early 19th century

Marked 'DW', Vienna 1824

No 285





Tongue depressor and throat spoon, silver Early 19th century

JH [J Hobbs], London 1831 No 313





SECTION E – bottom shelf: left slope, back to front

Throat spoon, silver Mid-19th century

F Douglas, London 1862

No 116

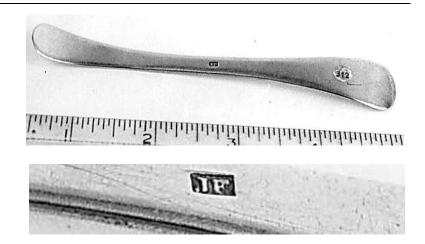




Tongue depressor, silver Mid-19th century

J Ferrier, Glasgow 1850

No 312



SECTION E – bottom shelf: right slope, back to front

Throat spoon, silver, engraved Mid-19th century

WM, Edinburgh 1863

Engraved 'CDS'



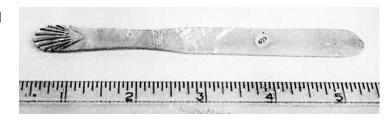


SECTION E – bottom shelf: right slope, back to front

Tongue depressor, mother of pearl Late 19th century

England c.1870

No 409



Tongue depressor, bone Late 19th century

England

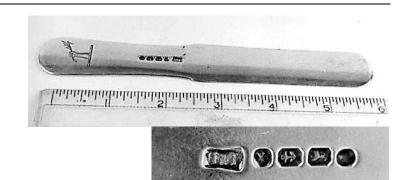
No 454



Tongue depressor, silver, crested Late 19th century

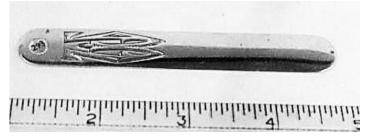
Hilliard &Thompson, Birmingham 1872

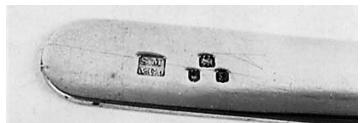
No 240



Tongue depressor, silver, engraved Late 19th century

Sampson Mordan & Co, London 1896



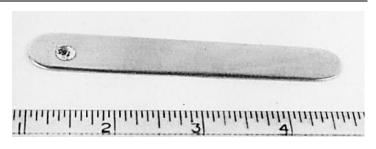


SECTION E – bottom shelf: right slope, back to front

Tongue depressor, silver Early 20th century

SM & Co Ltd, Chester 1912

No 165





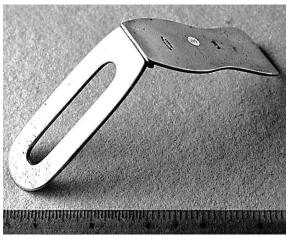
SECTION E – bottom shelf: centre, back to front

Tongue depressor, folding, silver plated Late 19th century

C Nyrup, Kobenhavn c.1880

No 547

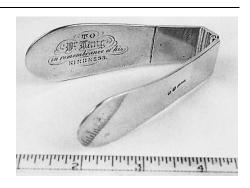




Tongue depressor, folding, silver, inscribed* Mid-19th century

W & H Hutchinson, Sheffield 1843

* 'To Dr Lang in remembrance of his kindness', see EB p 105







SECTION E – bottom shelf: centre, back to front

Tongue depressor, hinged, vulcanite and brass Early 20th century

England

No 463



Tongue depressor, folding, silver, engraved, in case
Late 19th century

H&RC, Bailey & Son, London 1896





No 367

Tongue depressor, glass Mid-20th century

USA



SECTION E – bottom shelf: far right, back to front

Respiratory tube in case, silver Late 19th century

G+F, London 1878

Engraved 'Sandeman's Patent Farrow & Jackson'

No 115

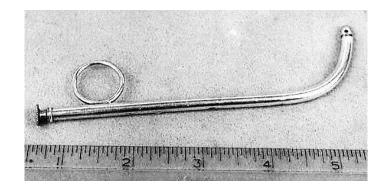




Nasal polyp remover, spring action, silver Mid-19th century

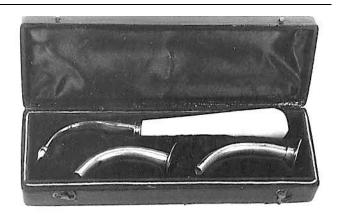
Maw, London c.1860

No 241



Tracheostomy set in case, silver and ivory Late 19th century

England



astralintallatutallatintallatilitettiintiilitettiintiintaaaa

SECTION E – bottom shelf: far right, back to front

Tracheostomy tube, silver Late 19th century

England

No 150



SECTION F – top shelf: back

Fly catcher – used in invalid's room, glass Mid-19th century

England c.1860

No 532



Searce, treen Late 17th century

England

Ref Pinto, pl 8, pl 6



SECTION F – top shelf: back

Quassia cup (bitter), treen Mid-19th century

Jamaica

Pinto p 39, pl 20(K): re 'bitter cups' imported from Jamaica, says they are difficult to date

No 168



Apothecary mortar with draining cork, treen, decorated border Early 18th century

England

Mortars: ref Pinto p 182 pl 178,179. 'Most are turned from lignum vitae, of traditional shapes which were used from 17th to 19th century'

No 169



Medicine cup, horn Mid-19th century

England c.1860

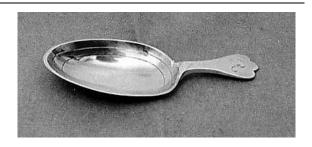


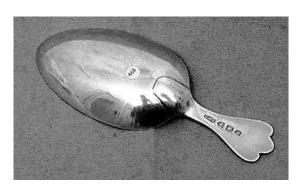
SECTION F – top shelf: front

Medicine spoon, silver, graduated (two rings), engraved Late 19th century

GMJ, London 1894

No 468





Medicine spoons, ceramic, measured, Elgin Late 19th century

England c.1880

Nos 518 and 544

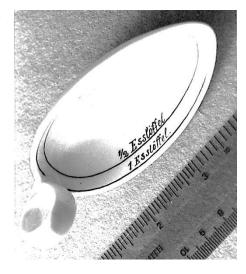




Medicine spoon, ceramic, measured, marked 'Esslöffel'* Late 19th century

Germany c.1880

*Marked ½ Esslöffel and 1 Esslöffel. Esslöffel = tablespoon

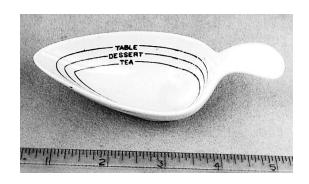


SECTION F – top shelf: front

Medicine spoon, ceramic, measured: marked 'table', 'dessert', 'tea' Late 19th century

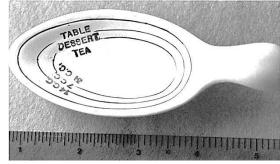
England

No 180



Medicine spoon, ceramic, measured, ccs, spns* Early 20th century

England



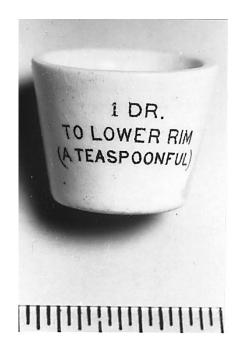
*Table = 14 cc, Dessert = 7 cc, Tea = 3.5 cc. Ref letter Royal Pharmaceutical Soc. GB 24.11.95 `search of trade catalogues, journals and articles, found no reference. Must be very unusual.'

No 522

Medicine measure, Proctor, marked 1 DR to lower rim (a teaspoonful) Late 19th century

[Maw], England c.1877

p 475 Maw 1882 see Crellin p 229 (ref to article *Chem & Drugg* (1877) 19,123) and Mrs Lothian Short



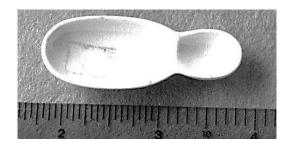
SECTION F – top shelf: front

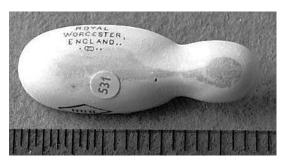
Medicine spoon, ceramic, marked BDH* Early 20th century

Royal Worcester, Worcs

*BDH founded 1908

No 531

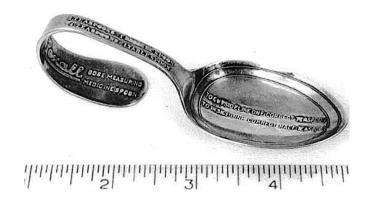




Medicine spoon, nickel Early 20th century

Rexall, USA

No 100



Medicine spoon, plastic, inbuilt stand, marked 2.5 and 5 ml Late 20th century

England c.1985

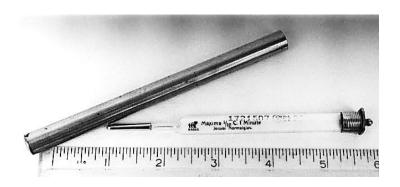


SECTION F – centre shelf: back panel

Thermometer (C), steel case Late 19th century

Jenaer, Germany

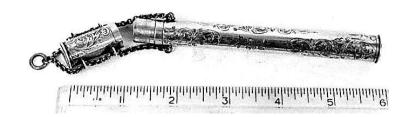
No 205



Thermometer case, silver Early 20th century

Mappin & Webb, Chester 1903

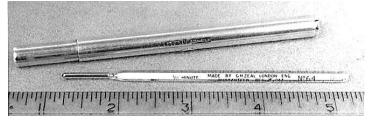
No 446



Thermometer in silver case, advertising 'Wincarnis' Early 20th century

Samson Mordan & Co, London 1926

No 267





Thermometer in silver case, advertising Typhoo...*
Early 20th century

Elkington & Co, Birmingham 1905

* 'Typhoo – pure leaf edge extra tea relieves indigestion' [removed for repair]





SECTION F - centre shelf: back panel

Thermometer in silver case, patent Browning London Late 19th century

John Browning, London

No 464



Thermometer in treen case (still works) Mid-19th century

L Casella-10744, London c.1850



Ref Pinto p 15 pl 7. EB p 183: 'Prof Phillips of Oxford invented a self-registering thermometer that used a minute air bubble to break the thread of mercury. One by Casella of London was exhibited in 1851 exhibition'

*Arnold's Catalogue RSM 1873 p 240: 'L.Canella's New Patent Safety Self-Registering Clinical Thermometer is guaranteed not to become disarranged by any amount of violence, whether in the hands of the physician or the most inexperienced person. 147 Holborn Bars: late 23 Hatton Garden'

No 220

Thermometer, paper scale, marked Réaumur+Fahrenheit, in brass case Mid-19th century

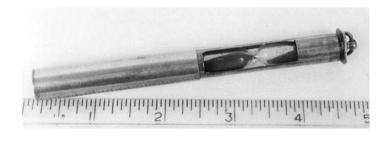
Europe c.1855

No 261



Pulse glass (1/2 min) in silver plated case Early 20th century

England

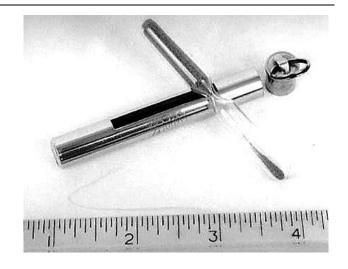


SECTION F – centre shelf: back panel

Pulse glass (1/4 min) in chromium plated case Early 20th century

England

No 239

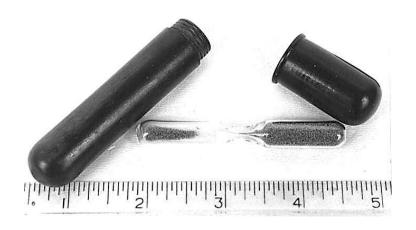


Pulse glass (approx 1 min) in lignum vitae case Mid-19th century

England c.1840

Ref Pinto 'Sand glass' p 18, pl 9

No 110



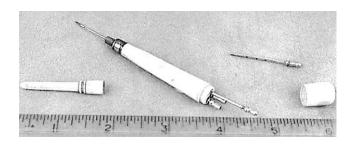
SECTION F – centre shelf: on sloping stands, centre back, left to right

Trocar and cannula, Southey's 4-point, ivory and steel
Mid-19th century

England c.1860

Ref EB pp 110,178 – Henry Southey (1783–1865), physician to George IV

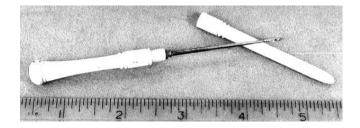




SECTION F – centre shelf: on sloping stands, centre back, left to right

Trocar and cannula, ivory and steel Mid-19th century

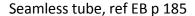
England c.1855 Ref EB p 178 – looks identical



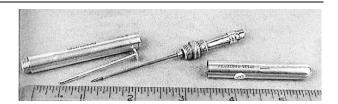
No 429

Trocar, cannula and caustic holder in seamless tube, silver Late 19th century

Marked 'Down London / seamless tube' John McMillan, London 1889



No 292





Southey's tubes Late 20th century

GB

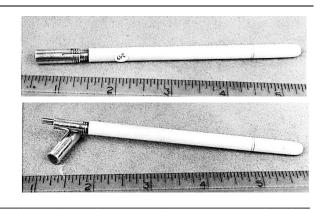
No 218





Vaccinator, ivory handle Mid-19th century

England c.1835



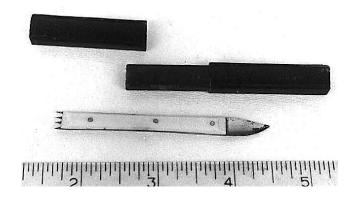
SECTION F – centre shelf: on sloping stands, centre back, left to right

Vaccinator, ivory and steel, + leather case Mid-19th century

England c.1840

cf No 425

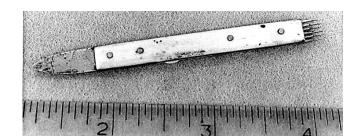
No 416



Vaccinator, ivory and steel Mid-19th century

England c.1840 cf No 416

No 425



SECTION F – centre shelf: on shelf, left, back to front

Hypodermic case, aluminium, with syringe and instructions Late 19th century

Parke Davis & Co, USA c.1885

Patented 25 Aug 1885



SECTION F – centre shelf: on shelf, left, back to front

Syringe case, silver plated Late 19th century

Europe

Contains syringe + two needles

No 151



Hypodermic syringe, silver, with steel needle Late 19th century

Evans & Co, London

No 251

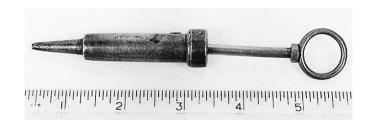




Syringe, aural, pewter Early 19th century

England

No 112



Syringe, aural, ivory Early 19th century

England



SECTION F - centre shelf: on shelf, left, back to front

Syringe, aural, vulcanite, glass and leather Late 19th century

USA

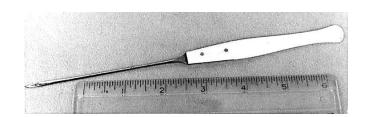
No 299



Stitching instrument, ivory handle Late 19th century

England

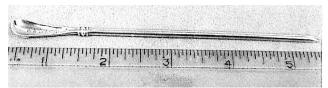
No 145



Director and scoop, silver Mid-19th century

George Clements, London 1848

No 260

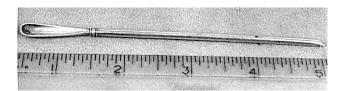




Director and scoop, silver Mid-19th century

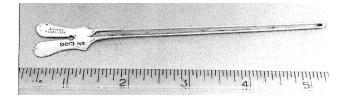
England

No 258



Director, silver Early 20th century

George Coup, London 1901





SECTION F – centre shelf: on shelf, left, back to front

Probang, horsehair (oesophageal sound) Mid-19th century

England c.1840

No 402



Bougie box, silver Mid-18th century

Ed Medlycott, London

c.1750

No 250

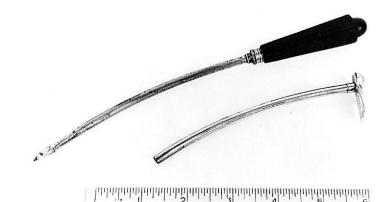




SECTION F – centre shelf: on shelf, centre

Trocar and cannula, silver with ebony handle, for dropsy Late 19th century

Matthews, England



SECTION F – centre shelf: on shelf, centre

Caustic holder, silver Early 19th century

Lawrence and Aston, Birmingham 1803

No 287

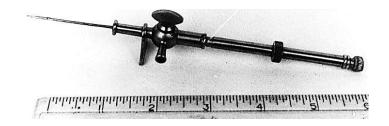




Blood transfusion needle, steel, 'brevete' (patented)
Early 20th century

Collin, Paris

No 255



SECTION F – centre shelf: on block, front

Buttons (two), brass, depicting enema – Louis XIV Late 17th century

France

Similar seen at Maison Dieu, Lyon. Political, depict before and after enema. French royal family were renowned for their use of clysters, especially Louis XIII and XIV

SECTION F – centre shelf: on shelf, right

Counter-irritator, lignum vitae, steel, lead and nickel Late 19th century

Vienna

Baumscheidt's Leenswecker – counterirritation / inflammation instrument

No 195





Plaster spreader, iron with rosewood handle Late 19th century

England

No 104



Urinometer, glass Early 20th century

England

No 230



SECTION F – centre shelf: on slope right

Bezoar box, filigree, silver Late 17th century

Europe



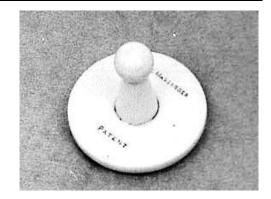


SECTION F – centre shelf: on slope right

Medical massager, quack, ivory Late 19th century

England c.1880

No 462



Amulet, silver Late 17th century

England

No 491

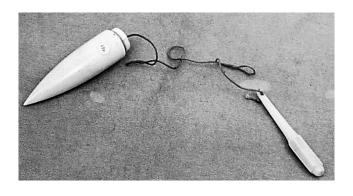




Pregnancy test (sex test), quack, ivory Early 19th century

England c.1830

No 461



Galvanic tractors, pair in case, as patented by Benjamin Perkins in 1798 Late 18th century

England c.1798

ref EB p 167,168

No 423



 $\frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) \left(\frac{1$

SECTION F – bottom shelf: back

Chest aspirating set in box Early 20th century

Down Bros, London

'21 St Thomas's St' in box

No 344



Enema, pewter / brass Late 19th century

JL, France c.1870

'Seul veritable irrígateurou D:ecuisier. Marque de Fabrique T2M JL. Brevetoin SCDG et de Perfect. Seule medaille 1849, seule recompense 1867'

No 383



Enema, pewter Mid-18th century

France



SECTION F – bottom shelf: back

Magneto-electric machine, for nervous and other diseases Late 19th century

England

Instructions in lid

No 193



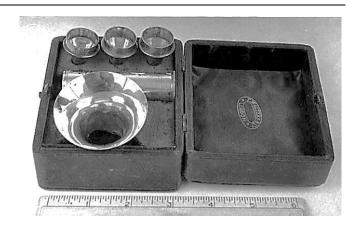
SECTION F – bottom shelf: front

Auriscope in case Late 19th century

F Walters & Co, London

Brunton invented it in 1862 (ref EB p 99)

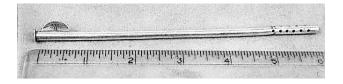
No 217



Catheter, female, silver Late 18th century

Charles Watts, London

c.1790





SECTION F – bottom shelf: front

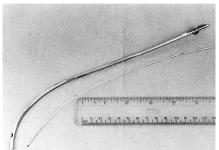
Catheter, silver Late 19th century

England

cf 114

No 144

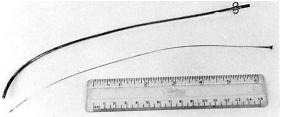




Catheter, silver Late 19th century

G+C, London 1872

No 114





Ointment introducer, urethral, rosewood Late 19th century

Maw, London

No 331



Ointment introducer, rectal, pewter Early 19th century

England

No 231



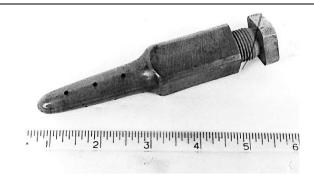
 $\begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & b_1 \\ a_2 & a_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_4 & a_4 \end{bmatrix}$

SECTION F – bottom shelf: front

Ointment introducer, rectal, wood Late 19th century

England

No 153



Ointment introducer, rectal, Pearce Gould, wood Early 20th century

Maw, England

No 107



SECTION G - top shelf

Apothecary jar, 'Sperma di Ranarium' (frog spawn) Polychrome glazed earthenware 18th century

Italy

Included in John Quincy's 'Complete English Dispensary' 1723, who remarks that it is good for nothing more than common rainwater



SECTION G - top shelf

Apothecary jar, 'Sy Violato Sol' (Syrupus Violarum Solutivus ie syrup of aqueous infusion of violet flowers).
Polychrome glazed earthenware
Early 17th century

Italy 1618 (date below handle)

Culpeper (1649): good for fevers, stomach ache and 'cool the liver and heart, resist putrefaction, pestilence and poison'

No 160



Apothecary jar, 'R.M. Feratic;'. Polychrome glazed earthenware Mid-18th century

Italy 1742 (date on back)

Possibly the name of an apothecary (RM Feraticus) as it is not a name in contemporary pharmacopeias.

No 161



SECTION G – centre shelf: back

Travelling medicine case, silver plated

Late 19th century

Europe





SECTION G – centre shelf: back

Medicine bottle with dropper in boxwood case
Late 19th century

England

cf 196 (this is slightly larger) Ref Pinto p 14, pl 7

No 439



Medicine glass in boxwood case, `Souvenir of Torquay '
Late 19th century

Smith's of Mauchline, Scotland

No 444



Medicine bottle case, boxwood, marked '1oz' Mid-19th century

Malden & Co,* London, *195 Brompton Road

Ref Pinto p 14, pl 7 (1840–70)



SECTION G – centre shelf: back

Medicine glass, measure, in wooden case 'Graduated Medicine Tumbler' Late 19th century

England c.1870

No 419



Travelling medicine case, boxwood +1/2 oz bottle
Mid-19th century

S Maw & Son, London

cf 439 ref Pinto pp 14–15, pl 7 'S Maw & Son from about 1850–75 (selected boxwood, French polished)'

No 196

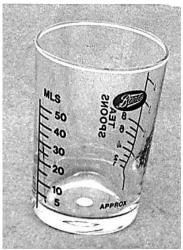




Medicine glass, graduated Late 20th century

Boots England 1983





SECTION G – centre shelf: back

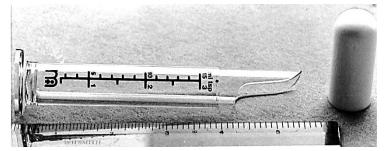
Medicine spoon, plastic, measured, graduated ml / tsp*

Late 20th century

GB, 1983

*Instructions in English, French and German

No 510



SECTION G - centre shelf: centre

Pill turret, boxwood Mid-19th century

England

c.1860



See 405 Nest of pill boxes, Pinto p 17, pl 8 (similar belonged to Dr Palmer, murderer, executed 1856). Bottom section missing

No 396

Pill turret, ivory, five compartments* engraved Early 19th century

England, c.1820

*Contents engraved: PILSHydrarg: Hydr:Chlor: Aperiens: Antim: P.T.: Anodyne: inside says opium!

SECTION G – centre shelf: centre

Travelling medicine case, silver Early 20th century

CD, London 1907

Engraved 'EL'

No 132





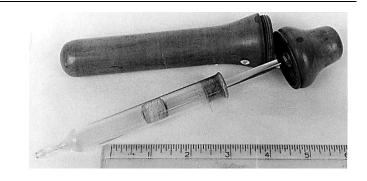


Syringe, aural, in treen case Late 19th century

England

Similar to 109

No 189



Syringe, aural, in treen case Late 19th century

England

Similar to 189



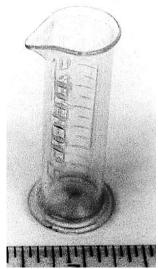
SECTION G – centre shelf: centre

Medicine glass and minim measure in leather case* Late 19th century

England c.1880

* + extra minim measure





EB p 253 says Timothy Lane c.1810; Mathews says these were marked 'Lane' and that by the mid-19th century measures were manufactured for travelling and home use, both measures being contained in one case. Still in Maw catalogue 1882 p 475

No 438

SECTION G - centre shelf, front

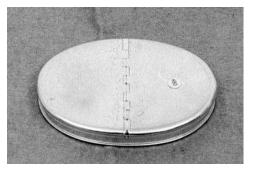
Pill box, silver, with hinged lids and internal divisions, engraved: 'Vn Jones Surgeon Welch Pool' Early 18th century

IW, England c.1710

'IW' inside, no other marks. Gilded inside







SECTION G – centre shelf: front

Spatula, silver / mother of pearl Early 19th century

Sheffield c.1800

No 146

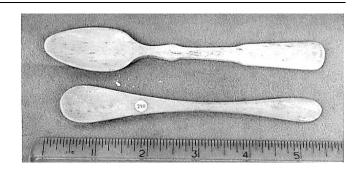




Pharmacy spoons, two, ivory Mid-19th century

France

No 210



Pill box, silver gilt, with clock face, monogram on cover Early 19th century

M Linwood, Birmingham 1804







SECTION G – centre shelf: front

Pill box / watch, with four compartments, Charles I period. Silver, silver gilt and glass. Early 17th century

England, c.1630

No 300





SECTION G – bottom shelf: back

Inhaler, Maw's double-valved, ceramic inhaler Late 19th century

S Maw Son & Thompson, London

In 1882 catalogue





SECTION G – bottom shelf: back

Inhaler, Dr Nelson's improved, ceramic inhaler Early 20th century

England

No 192





Seltzer cup, ceramic Mid-19th century

Staffordshire c.1850





SECTION G – bottom shelf: back

Food warmer, Saml Clarke's 'Pyramid', complete with stand, No 1, half pint Late 19th century

Saml Clarke, England

No 565



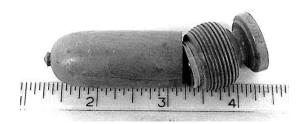


SECTION G – bottom shelf: centre

Menthol inhalers (two), treen, one labelled Menthol cone 'oak' brand Early 20th century

Maw / Sangers, London Ref: Sangers catalogue 1908, p 95





SECTION G – bottom shelf: centre

Treen applicator
Late 19th century

England

'May be for iodoform or mercury sprinkling' Pinto p 14, pl 7

No 111



Inhaler, 'Mandrake', glass, boxed Early 20th century

Barrett, London

No 163



Vinaigrette, silver Early 19th century

Cocks & Bettridge Birmingham 1816

Engraved 'JMG'





SECTION G – bottom shelf: centre

Inhaler, silver, engraved Late 19th century

Frederick Bradford McCrea, London 1895

Engraved 'FBM' on all parts

No 362







Syphoned nasal inhaler, glass Late 19th century

[USA] c.1880



SECTION G - bottom shelf: centre

Scent bottle, double-ended, with silver gilt mounts Mid-19th century

TJ, London, 1861

CS note: see Christie's catalogue description 7.8.78. Presumably Lord Cohen's silver. Pictured in Lord Cohen's lecture 1954.

No 298





Treen case for powder insufflator Mid-19th century

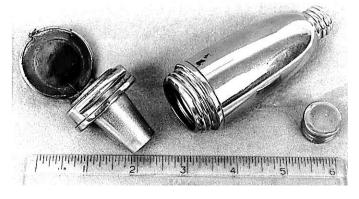
Gilbertson, London

No 108



Sputum pot, chromium plated, screw top and bottom, 'Mignon' Early 20th century

[France]





SECTION G - bottom shelf: centre

Anaesthesia mask, Schimmelbusch Late 19th century

England c.1870

Schimmelbusch's modification of Skinner's chloroform mask

No 170



SECTION G – bottom shelf, front

Acupuncture needles with ivory heads in ebony case Late 19th century

Coxeter, London

No 143



Pomander, silver, vase shape Early 18th century

Augsburg probably c.1700



SECTION G – bottom shelf: front

Pomander, silver, egg shape Early 18th century

Augsburg probably c.1700

Delieb, *Investing in silver*, p 109, says that the pomander evolved into the vinaigrette.

No 373





Snakebite remedy, Lauder-Brunton, wood tube with knife
Early 20th century

England

Ref: L Brunton *Lancet* ii.15, 200. Made by Arnold, London and Ferris, Bristol; lancets made by William Mitchell, pen manufacturer, for 2.5d each. In *Extra Pharmacopoeia*, 1922, p 537.

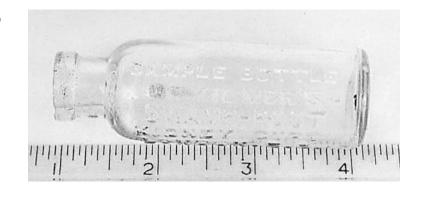
No 394



Medicine bottle, glass, 'swamp root'
Late 19th century

London

No 188

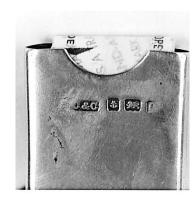


Ref: Dr Kilmer & Co, *Private Die Proprietary Medicine Stamps*, GB Griffenhagen Vol 4, p 39, 1969, and *More secret remedies*, BMA 1912, pp 108–10.

Case for plaster, inscribed 'stick to me', silver Early 20th century

C & C, Birmingham 1903

No 223





Morphia case, silver, engraved instructions
Early 20th century

Goldsmiths & Silversmiths, London 1915





Instructions read: 'Morphia poison. <u>Dose</u> one tablet to be dissolved under the tongue. If necessary another some hours later'

No 282

Ointment pot, 'Egyptian Salve', with directions Late 19th century

Reade Brothers, Wolverhampton

Egyptian salve was ver-de-gris, honey, vinegar, boiled until it made a thick ointment. Used for infected ulcers and fistulas (Culpeper, 1649)



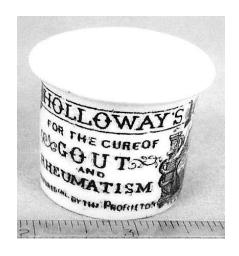
SECTION G – bottom shelf: front

Ointment pot, Holloway's Late 19th century

England c.1880

Thomas Holloway (1800–83), patent medicine manufacturer, made himself a millionaire with this ointment of beeswax and lanolin, and his pills.

No 130



Dispensing pots, ceramic 17th century

England

Ref: Crellin, Medical ceramics, p 92

Nos 524 and 525



Respirator, silver plated, boxed Late 19th century

London

Label: 'Safeguard of the Lungs / Improved / Silver plated / RESPIRATOR. / The metallic portion of this respirator being plated with pure silver, it is impossible for it to corrode'. / London'

1/- (one shilling) on box. Similar at same price in Brady & Martin catalogue 1897, p 289



References

Bennion, Elisabeth (1979). *Antique medical instruments*. Sotheby Parke Bernet, University of California Press; and personal communications (EB).

Cohen, Professor Sir Henry (1954). 'Old English silver and its medical interest'. Presidential address to Liverpool Medical Institution, 14 October 1954.

Crellin JK (1969). *Medical ceramics in the Wellcome Institute*, Vol 1'. London: Wellcome Institute of the History of Medicine.

Culpeper, N (1649) A Physicall Directory, or, a translation of the London Dispensatory made by the Colledge of Physicians in London. London: Peter Cole.

Delieb, Eric (1967). Investing in silver. New York: Clark Potter.

Delieb, Eric (1968). Silver boxes. New York: Clark Potter.

Drake TGH. Various articles on paediatric and infant feeding.

Haskell, Arnold and Lewin, Min (1971). Infantilia. London: Dennis Dobson.

Lothian, Agnes (1959). Mr Gibson's physic spoon. The Chemist and Druggist, 9 ix.

Matthews, Leslie G (1971). Antiques of the pharmacy. London: G Bell & Sons.

Pinto, Edward H (1949). Treen or small woodware throughout the ages. London: BT Batsford.

Symons, Cecil (1981). Invalids in the Georgian Era. Samuel Gee Lecture at Royal College of Physicians.

Symons, Cecil (1983). Invalids in the Georgian Era. Medical Society of London.

Symons, Cecil (1984). Gibson's spoon? *Journal of the Royal College of Physicians* 18 (1) Jan; and personal notes (CS).

Symons, Jean (1997). The Symons Collection: its origins and contents. *Journal of the Royal College of Physicians* 31 (5) Sept/Oct; and personal notes (JS).

Symons, Jean (2010) A duchess, a physician and a spoon. College Commentary, Oct.



Royal College of Physicians, 11 St Andrews Place, Regent's Park, London NW1 4LE.

Library, Archive and Museum Services Tel: +44 (0)20 3075 1543 Email: history@rcplondon.ac.uk

www.rcplondon.ac.uk/museum-and-garden

