



Collection Name: Ellison Osborne Medical Advertisement Collection
Collection #: MSS 949
Size: .25 cf., 12 folders
Dates: c. 1900-1905, n.d.
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Restrictions: None

Scope and Content Note:

The Ellison Osborne Medical Advertisement Collection, c. 1900-1905, n.d., consists of twelve folders of collected material relating to patent medicine and medical treatment advertisements. These materials passed from Mr. Osborne of Cabal, S.C. into the possession of Dr. James Twombly of Dillon, S.C., who in turn gave them to colleague and friend, E. Carwile LeRoy, of Charleston. The collection is arranged by product, malady, and/or manufacturer. The collection documents quack medical devices such as electric belts for hernias and tonics for epilepsy, dropsy, incontinence, impotence, and nervous disorders. In general all products relate to men's health. Also included are testimonials, physician endorsements, order forms, and promotional literature. Product manufacturers and physicians include Pulvermacher's Galvanic Co., Victor Chemical Co., Marston Remedy Co., Theo. Noel Co., Von Mohl Co., Civiale Remedial Agency, F.C. Fowler, William H. May, W.S. Rice, Andrew Chrystal, M.A. McLaughlin, J. Newton Hathaway, and others.

Gift of the estate of Dr. E. Carwile LeRoy. 2002.

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Subject Headings:

Advertising.
Edema—therapy.
Epilepsy—therapy.
Pharmaceutical Industry—history—United States.
Drugs—Non-Prescription.
Genital diseases, male—therapy.
Nostrums.
Quakery.

Patent medicine.

Civiale Remedial Agency (New York)
Dr. McLaughlin's Company (New York)
Marston Remedy Company (New York)
Theo. Noel Company (Chicago, Ill.)
Pulvermacher Galvanic Company (New York)
Victor Chemical Company (Boston, Ma.)
Von Mohl Company (Cincinnati, Oh.)
Chrystal, Andrew
Hathaway, J. Newton
May, William H.
Osborne. Ellison
Rice, W.S.

Inventory:

Folder 1: Assorted advertisements
Folder 2: Civiale Remedial Agency
Folder 3: Electric belts (various manufacturers)
Folder 4: Dr. McLaughlin
Folder 5: Marston Remedy Co.
Folder 6: Dr. William H. May
Folder 7: Theo. Noel Co.
Folder 8: Pulvermacher's Galvanic Co.
Folder 9: Rheumatic cures
Folder 10: W. S. Rice
Folder 11: Victor Chemical Co.
Folder 12: Von Mohl Co.