

Cow-Pock Institution

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Small collection of the papers of the Cow-Pock Institution, established to provide vaccination services, covering the period 1804 to 1885

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CPI
Cow-Pock Institution

Collection
1804-1885

Extent:

7 items

Creator: Cow-Pock Institution

Description:

Small collection of the papers of the Institution including minute books, letters, subscription and vaccination registers.

Arrangement:

Items are arranged chronologically

Administrative History:

In 1800 the Dispensary for Infant Poor in Dublin, under their Surgeon John Creighton, began vaccinating children against cow-pock, one of the greatest killing and disfiguring diseases of the time. By 1804 demand was so high that a special Cow-Pock Institution was established at 1 North Cope Street, Dublin. The Institution offered free inoculation and to supply packets of vaccination to be sent by post, with no charge for those sent to army or navy surgeons. Dr Labatt was the first secretary of the Institution. In 1889 the Institution moved to Upper O'Connell Street and became the Vaccine Department of the Local Government Board.

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References:

John F Fleetwood, *The History of Medicine in Ireland* (Dublin: Skellig Press, 2nd edition, 1983)

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| CPI/1 | Subscription Book

<i>Extent:</i>
c.350 pages

<i>Creator:</i>
Cow-Pock Institution

<i>Description:</i>
Subscript book of the institution contains details of 1000 subscribers to the Institution, gives name of subscriber, residence, details of first and subsequent payments and remarks, normally why subscription ended. There is an alphabetical index at the front by surname | 16 March
1804 - 26
April 1845 |
| CPI/2 | [Vaccination Register]

<i>Extent:</i>
c.300 pages

<i>Creator:</i>
Cow-Pock Institution

<i>Description:</i>
[Vaccination Register] of the Institution giving details [of vaccination sent out to army and navy surgeons]. Register gives surgeon's name, regiment and address, who ordered vaccination, date, state of inspection, source and remarks.

<i>Note:</i>
Volume has be rebound and spine reader 'Cow Pock Institution Minute Book 1844-74. | 2 January
1807 - 14
October 1836 |

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| CPI/3 | Minute Book

<i>Extent:</i>
c.350 pages

<i>Creator:</i>
Cow-Pock Institution

<i>Description:</i>
Minute book of the Institution, contains manuscript minutes, annual accounts, printed annual report, copy letters and other documents. | 7 August
1844 - 2
October 1874 |
| CPI/4 | Letters and Documents

<i>Extent:</i>
49 pages

<i>Creator:</i>
Cow-Pock Institution
Local Government Board for Ireland

<i>Description:</i>
Letters and documents, including accounts, annual reports and memos, created or received by the Cow-Pock Institution. Most of the letters are written by the Local Government Board, Poor Law Commissioners, Dublin Castle or other government departments. | 30 June 1868
- 25
November
1885 |
| CPI/5 | Letter Books

<i>Extent:</i>
34 items

<i>Creator:</i>
Cow-Pock Institution

<i>Description:</i>
Letter book of the Institution containing letters written to the Institution, drafts of letters from the institution and printed copies of the annual report. Most of the letters come from Dublin Castle or the Poor Law Commissioners Office. | 10 April 1872
- 10 October
1872 |

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| CPI/6 | Rough Minute Book | 16 May 1872
- 19 April
1877 |
| | <i>Extent:</i>
c.200 pages | |
| | <i>Creator:</i>
Cow-Pock Institution | |
| | <i>Description:</i>
Rough minute book of the Institution, containing manuscript minutes, accounts, letters and other documents | |
| CPI/7 | Annual report of the Cow-Pock Institution | May 1844 |
| | <i>Extent:</i>
1 page | |
| | <i>Creator:</i>
Cow-Pock Institution | |
| | <i>Description:</i>
Printed annual report of the Cow-Pock Institution for the year ending March 1844. | |