

# Sir Andrew John Horne

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Papers of Sir Andrew John Horne (1856-1924) mainly relating to his time as President of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland (1909-1910), his membership of The Phagocytes and his receipt of a knighthood in 1913.

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**AJH**  
**Sir Andrew John Horne**

**Collection**  
**1856-1914**

*Extent:*

2 boxes

*Creator:*

Horne, Sir Andrew John, 1865-1924

*Description:*

Small collection of material relating to Sir Andrew John Horne and his connections with the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland and the Phagocyte Club. Also material relating to his knighthood in 1913.

*Arrangement:*

The material has been grouped together thematically.

*Administrative History:*

Andrew John Horne was born in Ballinasloe, county Galway in 1856, he was educated at Clongowes Wood College before studying medicine at the Carmichael School of Medicine in Dublin, and graduating as Licentiate of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland in 1877 and Licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland the following year. Specialising in obstetrics Horne initially worked at the Rotunda Hospital, in 1894 on the establishment of Holles St. Hospital, later the National Maternity Hospital, Horne was appointed Joint Master with Patrick Barry, a position Horne held for 30 years. Horne became a member of the College of Physicians in 1881 and a Fellow in 1885, he was President of the College from 1908-1910. He was also active in the obstetrical sections of the Royal Academy of Medicine in Ireland and the British Medical Association. Horne was a talented pianist and played in an amateur trio with his friend and colleague Sir Francis Cruise. In 1913 Horne received a knighthood in recognition of his services to the Royal College of Physicians and to the National Maternity Hospital. Horne married Margaret Norman in 1884, they had five children including one who died in infancy. Their second son Andrew Horne followed his father into medicine, and also specialised in obstetrics. Horne died in Dublin in 1924 at the age of 68.

*Acquisition:*

Donated by Sir Andrew Horne's granddaughters Patricia and Margaret Horne in 2011. Other material relating to Sir Andrew Horne and his time as Master of the National Maternity Hospital was donated to that hospital.

*Access Conditions:*

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*Related Material:*

A collection of books belonging to Sir Andrew John Horne were donated to RCPI by his son in 1942 (ACC/1942/3)

*References:*

John M Strong, *Andrew Horne Thirty Years A Master* (Dublin, 1999)

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**AJH/1**  
**Medical Certificates**

**File**  
**1878-1895**

*Extent:*

4 items

*Creator:*

General Council of Medical Education and Registration  
Royal College of Physicians of Ireland, 1654-

*Description:*

Medical certificates of Sir Andrew Horne including; Licentiate of the College of Physicians (1878), Fellowship of the College of Physicians (1885), certificate of additional qualification (1885) appointment as Censor of the College of Physicians (1895)

**AJH/2**  
**The Phagocytes Club**

**Section**  
**1891-1908**

*Extent:*  
4 files and items

*Creator:*  
The Phagocytes

*Description:*  
The Phagocytes was a medical dining club founded in Dublin in 1891. Membership was limited to four surgeons, four physicians and two obstetricians or gynaecologists. The club dined on the first Thursday of the month, except during the summer, with the dinners being held in the members' houses in rotation. The number of dinners could not exceed 12, and the host of the party could invite additional medical men to make up the numbers. In 1914 the club suspended its meeting for the duration of the war, but meetings were never resumed.

In 1914 this material was in the possession of Sir Andrew Horne, who agreed to look after it for the duration, it remained with his family after his death in 1924.

*Arrangement:*  
Items are arranged chronologically

**AJH/2/1 Phagocytes Photograph Album 1891-1914**

*Extent:*  
34 pages

*Creator:*  
The Phagocytes

*Description:*  
Photograph album of The Phagocytes containing group and individual photographs.

*Physical Condition:*  
Some damage to spine

- AJH/2/2 Snuff Box 1895**
- Extent:*  
1 item
- Creator:*  
Kidd, Frederick William, 1857-1917
- Description:*  
Silver snuff box, with inlaid decorative glass [representing an amoeba] on the lid. Inscription inside reads 'Presented to the Phagocytes by Dr F W Kidd, a token of esteem and affection 7 March 1895'
- AJH/2/3 Phagocyte Club Photograph [1907]**
- Extent:*  
1 item
- Creator:*  
Werner; Alfred, fl. late nineteenth century, photographer
- Description:*  
Mounted photograph of the ten members of the phagocyte club from 1907, note on back identifies Dr Horne, Dr Leeper and Sir Conway Dwyer.
- AJH/2/4 Receipts 1907-1908**
- Extent:*  
7 items
- Creator:*  
Leeper, Richard Robert, 1864-1942
- Description:*  
File of bills relating to The Phagocyte costs from printing and photography, all addressed to Dr Leeper.

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**AJH/3**  
**President's Dinners**

**File**  
**February - April 1909**

*Extent:* 2 items

*Creator:*

Royal College of Physicians of Ireland, 1654-  
Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, 1784-

*Description:*

Menu for the Royal College of Surgeon's Annual Dinner on 20 February 1909 which Horne attended as President of the College of Physicians. Also menu and table plan for the President's Dinner held by Horne as President of the College of Physicians on 24 April 1909.

**AJH/4**  
**Sir Andrew Horne's Knighthood**

**Section**  
**1913**

*Extent:*  
4 files

*Creator:*  
Horne, Sir Andrew John, 1865-1924

*Description:*  
In 1913 Sir Andrew John Horne received a Knighthood from the British Crown, in recognition of his contribution to the medical profession both as Master of the National Maternity Hospital and President of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland. Another Irish medic Sir Robert Woods also received a knighthood at the same time. The section contains documents, photographs and object relating to Horne's knighthood.

**AJH/4/1 Letter of Congratulations**

**5 July 1913**

*Extent:*  
1 page

*Creator:*  
Royal College of Physicians of Ireland, 1654-  
Kirkpatrick, Thomas Percy Claude, 1869-1954

*Description:*  
Letter written by Dr Kirkpatrick, as registrar to the College of Physicians, congratulating Dr Horne on receiving his knighthood, and giving the full text of the resolution passed by the College on that subject the previous day.

**AJH/4/2 Gala Banquet**

**4 December**  
**1913**

*Extent:*  
2 items

*Description:*  
Menu and table plan for the banquet held to honour Sir Andrew Horne and Sir Robert Woods on their recent knighthoods.



**AJH/4/3 Court Dress**

**1913**

*Extent:*

11 items

*Description:*

Tin trunk contain the court dress of Sir Andrew Horne, worn when he was knighted in 1913. The trunk has a plate with Horne's name, as well as the remains of the luggage labels for the journey from Dublin to London. The trunk contains the court dress of a dark blue velvet jacket, waistcoat and knee breeches, all with original buttons, a pair of white stocking, a pair of shoe buckles and the bicorne (or cocked) hat. The trunk also contains the sling sword and scabbard.

**AJH/4/4 Photographs**

**Early twenty-  
first century**

*Extent:* 2 items

*Description:*

Reproductions of photographs taken in 1913, one showing Sir Andrew Horne in the court dress worn by him to receive his knighthood (1913), the second shows Sir Andrew Horne and Sir Robert Woods both in court dress and mortarboards walking down a street, Horne is also wearing the College of Physician's Presidential robe.

**AJH/5**  
**[New Year] card from Lady Aberdeen**

**Item**  
**1923**

*Extent:*

1 item

*Creator:*

Gordon, John Campbell Hamilton, 1847-1934, 1st Marquess of Aberdeen and Temair  
Gordon, Ishbel Maria Hamilton-, 1857-1939, 1st Marchioness of Aberdeen and Temair

*Description:*

Greeting card from Lord and Lady Aberdeen sent to 'our dear Sir Andrew' and 'hoping he is much better & that 1924 will be very good to him'. The card shows a sketch of Lady Aberdeen as a child done by the artist Eden Upton Eddis.

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**AJH/6**  
**Catalogue of Music**

**Item**  
**1856**

*Extent:*

12 pages

*Creator:*

Amateur Quintett & Septett Party, 1852-

*Description:*

Printed catalogue of the music owned by a group of 'amateur musicians who meet weekly for the practice of classical music' in Dublin.

**AJH/7**  
**Photographs**

**File**  
**Early twenty-first century**

*Extent:*  
2 items

*Description:*  
Reproduction of a photograph showing Dr Horne in the operating theatre of the National Maternity Hospital (early twentieth century) and a reproduction of a group of photographs showing four generations of the Horne family.

**AJH/8**  
**Medical world. Gallery of contemporaries in the field of medical science**

**Item**  
**[1911]**

*Extent:*

98 pages, 54 plates

*Creator:*

Mansch, Anton

*Description:*

Printed book containing photographic portraits and biographical sketches of leading figures in medical science, including Andrew Horne.