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Papers of Thomas Mark Hovell

1834-1880

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Biographical Background:

Thomas Mark Hovell was born in 1853. His father, Dennis de Berdt Hovell, was a General Practioner in Clapton. He qualified from the London Hospital in 1875 becoming a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh in 1880. He was a surgeon at the Hospital for Diseases of the Throat at Golden Square – the first specialist throat hospital in the country founded by Dr Morell Mackenzie in 1862 and assisted Mackenzie on his *Diseases of the Throat and Nose* published in 1880. He spent nearly a year in personal attendance with Emperor Frederick of Germany before the Emporer's death in June 1888. His efforts to minimise the suffering of his patient was recognised with Hovell being awarded the Second Class of the Order of the Crown.

Hovell returned to London and took-up the post of Lecturer on Diseases of the Throat at the London Hospital Medical College and consulting Surgeon to the Golden Suare Throat Hospital. He published *Diseases of the Ear and Naso-pharynx* and numerous articles in the *British Medical Journal*. He also had a lifelong interest in public health, publishing *Rats and the Extermination of these Pests* in 1924 to much acclaim. He died 30th June 1925.

Custodial history:

Donated in March 1965.

Description:

Photocopies of examination papers and certificates relating to Thomas Mark Hovell's training as a surgeon at the London Hospital including a number of testimonials of his conduct.

Extent:

35 items & 4 bundles

Related material:

Other Repositories:

Hospital for Diseases of the Throat, Golden Square at Royal Free Hospital Archives [GS]

Access conditions:

Access will be granted to any accredited reader

U DX58/1 Photocopy. Charge to Mr. Hovell [Thomas's father?] on his 7 Nov 1834

admission as a dressing-pupil at London Hospital

1 item

U DX58/2 Photocpies. Printed Examination papers.

Royal College of Surgeons, Preliminary General

Examinations for the following subjects: English Grammar and composition; Geography; Arithmetic; English History; Latin; Euclid; Algebra; French; Greek and Chemistry.

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Royal College of Surgeons, Diploma of Members examination papers for the following subjects: Anatomical and Physiological examination; Surgical Anatomy; the Principles and Practice of Surgery; the Principles and Practice of Medicine

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London Hospital Medical College examinations for the following subjects; Chemistry; Physiology; Anatomy; Surgery; Physiology class examination.

With some photocopies of manuscript notes of questions and answers 4 bundles

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Photocpies. Cuttings from 'The Times'
Pass lists of Royal College of Surgeons with Mark Hovell's
name underlined
3 items

1870-1872

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Photocpies. Admission certificates
Admission for 6 months into the practice at the Royal
London Opthalmic Hospital, Moorfields (1876); to sit an
examination for Royal College of Surgeons of England
(1870); a course of instruction on the use of the
Laryngoscope at the Hospital for Diseases of the Throat
(1876); course of Practical Chemistry at the London Hospital
Medical College (1870); receipt for £5 for registration with
the Council of Medical Education and Registration (1875);
receipt for £50 as a perpetual pupil with the London Hospital
Medical College (1870)
6 items

1870-1876

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Photocpies Testimonials.

Jul 1871-Feb 1878

Brief letters relating to his personal and professional conduct as both a student and as a surgeon.

9 items

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Photocpies. Certificates

1870-1877

Certificate of Registration in the Medical Student's Register (1870); two hand-written notes comfirming that Thomas Hovell has completed six month study of pharmacy (1871); four certificates relating to performing the duties of dresser of in-patients (1874); attending a course on comparative anatomy (1871); as Medical Assistant at the London Hospital (nd); as Dresser to the Ophthalmic Patients (1875); House Surgeon (1877); certification showing the subjects studied by Hovell at the London Hospital including details of attendance between 1870-1873.

13 items