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SAMUEL B. LEWIS PAPERS 1860-1930

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 1 manuscript box, 4 bound volumes, and 4 oversized manuscript folders, 1 flat file folder, 7 boxes of artifacts.

COLLECTION DATES: 1860-1930

PROVENANCE: Mrs. Gladys Frossard; Anderson, Indiana. April 23, 1979.

RESTRICTIONS: None

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ALTERNATE FORMATS: None

RELATED HOLDINGS: R151 .R68 1972: Rothstein, William G. *American Physicians in the Nineteenth Century*.

F532.M75 Z32 2002: Zach, Karen Bazzani. *Montgomery Medicine Men Born 1850 or Before*.

M 0489: Papers, 1882-1927, Robert Caldwell Milburn.

F532.C5 B56 1969: Gresham, John M. and Co. *Biographical and Historical Souvenir for the Counties of Clark, Crawford, Harrison, Floyd, Jefferson, Jennings, Scott and Washington, Indiana*. Chicago: Chicago Print Co. 1889.

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NOTES:

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Samuel Bigger Lewis (1840-1920) was a physician in Jefferson County, Indiana from 1866 until 1910. He graduated from the Cincinnati College of Medicine and Surgery in 1862 and served as a surgeon with the 10th Regiment Indiana Cavalry during the Civil War. After the war he began practice in Manville but moved to Canaan in 1865 where he remained until his retirement in 1910.

His wife, Marietta Christie Lewis (1847-1924) was born in Ripley County and graduated from college in Indianapolis in 1865. They had three children. Their daughter, Mollie V. Lewis (1871-1905), graduated from the Medical College of Indiana in 1892 and practiced medicine in Madison. In 1894 she was the Jefferson county health officer and took the last name of Sarran upon marriage. The other two children were Grace Lewis Copeland and Chauncey B. Lewis, an insurance agent in Indianapolis and Anderson. Marietta's sister, Lucy Christie Lewis, is also mentioned in the papers. Samuel, Marietta and Mollie are buried in Springdale cemetery in Madison, Indiana.

Sources:

Ancestry Library Edition.

Gresham, John M. and Co. *Biographical and Historical Souvenir for the Counties of Clark, Crawford, Harrison, Floyd, Jefferson, Jennings, Scott and Washington, Indiana*. Chicago: Chicago Print Co. 1889.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection includes papers and artifacts of Samuel B. Lewis and his family. The manuscript papers include account books, receipts, legal documents, and the physicians license of Samuel B. Lewis; yearbooks, applications and by-laws for the John Paul Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution; miscellaneous advertisements; army pension certificates, commissions and muster-in rolls of the 10th Indiana Cavalry; material pertaining to Chauncey's insurance career and postcards from the early twentieth century.

Among the bound volumes are two ledgers, a daily account book and the 13th annual Report of the State Board of Health of Indiana. Five diplomas and certificates awarded to Samuel, Marietta and Mollie from various institutions, four of which pertain to the practice of medicine, also compromise a part of the collection in four oversized manuscript folders and one flat file.

The seven boxes of artifacts in the collection include women's clothing, medical bags and surgical equipment which belonged to members of the Lewis family. The artifacts offer material examples of clothing and medical equipment of the late nineteenth and early twentieth century.

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Miscellaneous; baby scrapbook, programs, copy of the Cincinnati Stock Recorder.	Box 1, Folder 8
Samuel B. Lewis daybook, 1866-1869.	BV 1856
Samuel B. Lewis account book, 1872-1891.	BV 1857
Samuel B. Lewis account book, 1890-1910.	BV 1858
13 th annual Report of the State Board of Health of Indiana.	BV 1859
Cincinnati College of Medicine Diploma awarded to Samuel B. Lewis, 1862.	OM 0079 Folder 1
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Two Medicine cases; instrument case; two syringe sets; forceps; needles; lancets; related items.	Artifacts Box 23 R 684-698
Women's bodice	Artifacts Box 24 R 699
Assorted medicine bottles; medical instruments case; chest; specimen collection.	Artifacts Box 25 R 700-792
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Brown/rust satin bodice with plaid and floral pattern and fluffed sleeves.	Artifacts Box 28 R 794
Black knit jersey blouse and two small mink stoles.	Artifacts Box 29 R 796-798

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3. Select "Call Number" from the "Search In:" box.
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5. When you find the collection, go to the "Full Record" screen for a list of headings that can be searched for related materials.