

W.H. [William Hoye] Kunst Lecture Notes

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Creator: Kunst, William Hoye

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Abstract:

This collection contains seven volumes of lecture notes taken by William H. Kunst during his time as a student at the University of Maryland School of Medicine (UMSOM) from 1887 to 1890. The volumes include two courses in Surgery with Dr. L. [Louis] McLane Tiffany, two courses in Physiology with F.T. [Francis Turquand] Miles, two courses in Materia Medica with I.E. [Isaac Edmondson] Atkinson, and one course with S.C. [Samuel Claggett] Chew in the Practice of Medicine.

Biographical History of W.H. Kunst:

William Hoye Kunst was born in Grafton, West Virginia to Charles Frederick William Kunst and Cecilia Buckley Goff Kunst. He was the fourth of eight children. Kunst studied medicine under Dr. A.S. Warder, Jr. in Grafton before entering the University of Maryland School of Medicine (UMSOM) in 1887. Kunst remained at UMSOM until April 1890 but did not graduate.

Kunst graduated from Starling Medical College in Columbus, OH in 1891 after which he moved to Point Marion, PA and established a medical practice. His first wife, Annie Fisher, became ill and they moved to Fairmount, WV in 1894 to improve her health. She passed in 1895.

In April 1898, Dr. Kunst remarried Fannie Mae Rich. Fannie was divorced and had one son, Stanley W. Lemly. Dr. Kunst was successful in Fairmont, WV. He served as Fairmount City Health Officer, Medical Examiner, president of the Fairmount Medical Society, Secretary of the Government board of Pension Examiners, and Superintendent and Director of the Asylum for the Insane at Weston. Dr. Kunst died on March 29, 1948.

Biographical Histories of Content Creators (alphabetical):

Dr. Isaac Edmondson Atkinson
1846-1906

University of Maryland School of Medicine Graduate 1865

University of Maryland School of Medicine Faculty 1879-1900

Dr. Isaac Edmondson Atkinson was born in Baltimore, MD on January 23, 1846. He first attended the University of Maryland School of Letters [Academic Department] and second the School of Medicine (UMSOM), graduating in 1865. Following graduation, he practiced medicine in Baltimore. In 1879 he became Clinical Professor of Dermatology at the UMSOM. Dr. Atkinson specialized in Dermatology and helped to found the American Dermatological Association in 1888. Dr. Atkinson held several other roles at UMSOM including Professor of Pathology, Materia Medica, and Therapeutics, as well as Dean (1890-1893). Following retirement, he was named emeritus professor.

Dr. Atkinson married Virginia Duval Atkinson; together they had five children: Isaac Edmondson Duval, Jr., Dr. Algernon Duval Atkinson, Virginia Rebecca Atkinson Gardner, Katherine Atkinson Rice, and Hannah Christine Atkinson Nickerson. He died of Pneumonia in 1906.

Dr. Samuel Claggett Chew

1837-1915

University of Maryland School of Medicine Graduate 1858

University of Maryland School of Medicine Faculty 1864-1909

Dr. Samuel Claggett Chew was born in Baltimore, July 26, 1837 to Dr. Samuel Chew (also faculty and dean at the School of Medicine [UMSOM]) and Henrietta Sophia Scott Chew. He graduated from Princeton College in 1856 and 1859 and the UMSOM in 1858. Following graduation, he set up practice in Baltimore. Dr. Chew joined the faculty at the UMSOM in 1864 as Professor of Materia Medica; during his long tenure at the school, he was also Professor of Practice and Dean (1874-1879).

Dr. Chew married Agnes Marshall Chew; together they had three sons: Henry D. Chew, John Marshall Chew, and Samuel Claggett Chew Jr.

Dr. Francis Turquand Miles

1827-1903

University of Maryland School of Medicine Faculty 1869-1903

Dr. Francis Turquand Miles was born February 11, 1827, in Charleston, SC. He attended Charleston College and the Medical College of South Carolina, graduating in 1849. Dr. Miles began his career teaching at his alma mater. When the American Civil War broke out, he joined the Confederate Army. He was wounded twice during the war and appointed to surgeon rank in 1864. After the war he rejoined the faculty at the Medical College of South Carolina.

In 1868 he moved to Baltimore as professor of microscopic anatomy at the Washington University of School of Medicine. A year later he was named Chairman of the Department of Anatomy at the University of Maryland School of Medicine. He remained at the UMSOM until illness forced his retirement in 1903. During his tenure he held positions of Chairman in the Departments of Anatomy, Diseases of the Nervous System, and Physiology. He married Jane Eliza Wardlaw Miles and had three children: Sarah Warley Miles, Louis Wardlaw Miles, and Alice Wardlaw Miles.

Dr. Louis McLane Tiffany

1844-1916

University of Maryland School of Medicine Graduate 1868

University of Maryland School of Medicine Faculty 1869-1902

Dr. Louis McLane Tiffany was born October 10, 1844 in Baltimore, MD. He attended the University of Cambridge in England graduating in 1866 and the University of Maryland School of Medicine (UMSOM) graduating in 1868. From 1869 to 1902 Dr. Tiffany served in a variety of capacities at the UMSOM including demonstrator of anatomy, professor of operative surgery, professor and chair of surgery, and dean of the school of medicine (1879-1886).

Dr. Tiffany became nationally recognized for his surgical skills. He was the first to perform a nephrolithotomy in America and the first surgeon to use a pearl button to anchor sutures after abdominal surgery. Dr. Tiffany was married twice; first to Madeline Borland Tiffany and second to Evelyn May Bayly Tiffany. He had one daughter, Katherine McLane Tiffany Abbot with his first wife. Tiffany died in Accomack County, Virginia in 1916.

Scope and Content:

7 Unboxed Notebooks

This collection contains seven volumes of lecture notes taken by Dr. William H. Kunst from 1887 to 1890 and undated. The volumes are arranged thematically by course. There are two volumes of Surgery notes with Professor Louis McLane Tiffany, two volumes of Physiology notes with Professor Francis T. Miles, two volumes of Materia Medica notes with Professor Isaac E. Atkinson, and one volume of Practice of Medicine notes with Professor Samuel C. Chew. Additional volume information is listed below.

Surgery – Professor L. McLane Tiffany

Vol. 1 Undated

Vol. 2 October 6, 1887 to March 29, 1888

Physiology – Professor F.T. Miles

Vol. 1 October 3, 1887 to March 20, 1888

Vol. 2 October 2, 1889 to March 21, 1890

Materia Medica – Professor I.E. Atkinson

Vol. 1 October 4, 1887 to March 9, 1888

Vol. 2 1888-1889

Practice of Medicine – Professor S.C. Chew

October 5, 1887 to March 23, 1888

Arrangement: Thematically then chronologically

Access Restrictions: The collection is open for research.

Language: Materials entirely in English.

Acquisition: This collection was purchased from Second Story Books in March 2024.

Sources Used:

Centuries of Leadership: Deans of the University of Maryland School of Medicine. (2006) Baltimore, MD: University of Maryland, Baltimore School of Medicine. Retrieved from: <http://hdl.handle.net/10713/4797>.

Cordell, Eugene F. (1891) *Historical Sketch of the University of Maryland, School of Medicine (1807-1890)*. Baltimore, MD: Press of I. Friedenwald. Retrieved from: <http://hdl.handle.net/10713/4566>

Sheads, Nancy B. (2009) *Medicine in Maryland, 1752-1920*. Retrieved from: <https://mdhistoryonline.net/>

Related Collections and Materials:

Dr. Milford "Mickey" M. Foxwell, Jr.'s Collection of Lecture Notes, Historical Collections, Health Sciences and Human Services Library. <http://hdl.handle.net/10713/12958>

Historic Class Notes Digital Collection, Digital Archive, Health Sciences and Human Services Library. <https://archive.hshsl.umaryland.edu/handle/10713/19109>

There are additional lecture note volumes in Historical Collections, some of these are cataloged, others are in the UMB Persons Vertical File Collection.

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