

Ohio Medical Convention Proceedings (SC-181) Guide

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Summary Information

Repository:	Wright State University Libraries, Special Collections and Archives
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Biographical / Historical

The Ohio Medical Convention held an annual meeting each year from 1835 to 1851. Sessions of the Medical Convention of Ohio and the Ohio State Medical Society were held concurrently from 1846 to 1851, after which the Medical Convention of Ohio merged with the Ohio State Medical Society. (For more information on this, see: Robert G. Paterson, "The First Medical Convention in Ohio," *Ohio State Medical Journal*, 1938 May: 560-561; and , Donald D. Shira, "The Organization of the Ohio State Medical Society and its relation to the Ohio Medical Convention." *Ohio State Archaeological and Historical Quarterly* 50 (1941): 366-72.)

Richard N. and William F. Comly, the printers of this booklet, were also the publishers of the newspaper *Daily Dayton Journal* from 1847 into the 1850s. John Butterfield was a professor at Willoughby Medical College. L. M. Lawson was a professor at Transylvania University. R. L. Howard was a lecturer at the Medical and Surgical Institute of Columbus. Robert Thompson was the Surgeon General of Ohio.

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Scope and Contents

This booklet, Proceedings of the Ohio Medical Convention, contains details on the proceedings of a state medical conference held in Columbus, Ohio, in May 1846. It begins with meeting minutes and a roster of physicians who attended the conference (including their home county and town). The majority of the booklet consists of the papers presented by physicians present, detailing case reports and medical procedures. Papers in the booklet were written by John Butterfield (concerning typhoid fever); L. M. Lawson, Robert Thompson, R. Hills, and R. L. Howard. Additionally, it contains a section discussing medical ethics. The Proceedings booklet was printed by R. N. and W. F. Comly, printers. The Comly brothers Richard and William are better known in Dayton's history as the publishers of the Dayton Journal for many years.

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Arrangement

The collection consists of one item.

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Existence and Location of Copies

The proceedings are also available at Dayton Metro Library and Western Reserve Historical Society.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Medicine -- Ohio

Physical Characteristics and Technical Requirements

The booklet has water damage, and its front cover is mostly detached.

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Proceedings of the Ohio Medical Convention Held at Columbus, May 12, 1846, 1846 May 12	Folder 1	Item 1