# MEDICAL HISTORY DOCUMENTS, 1776 - 1842

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## BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES

No information has been found on David Taylor, Peter Vanderveer, or John Schrack, Jr.

Philip Syng Physick (1768-1837), physician and surgeon, was born in Philadelphia, the son of the agent for the Penn estates. He graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1785, and made his reputation as a doctor by his services during the fever epidemics of 1793 and 1798. He held teaching positions both at Pennsylvania Hospital and the University of Pennsylvania. As a surgeon he introduced a number of new techniques, including mechanical traction, immobilization, the use of animal ligatures, use of the stomach tube, and a special operation to remove kidney stones.

#### Sources:

"Physick, Philip Syng," in *Dictionary of American Biography*, Vol. 7, pp. 534-55. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 1934. Reference Room: E 176 D563 v. 7

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This collection consists of three documents and one bound volume. The three documents are a bill from David Taylor, physician to the Colony of New Hampshire, for services rendered to Obadiah Holt and Jonathan Brown of Col. Bedell's Regiment in March 1776; a receipt of March 1804 from Dr. Physick to Judge Yeates (with small portrait of Physick); and an 1818 New Jersey medical license for Peter Vanderveer.

The bound volume is a medical notebook of John Schrack, Jr., while a student at Jefferson Medical College in 1842.

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Taylor, Physick, and Vanderveer documents SC 2295, Folder 1

Medical notebook of John Schrack, Jr., Jefferson BV 2592

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