

# James H. Etheridge and family collection

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## Collection Overview

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**CALL NUMBER:** Ms Coll 62

**TITLE:** James H. Etheridge and family collection

**DATES:** 1827-1937

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 7.75 linear feet (11 boxes)

**LANGUAGE:** Materials are in English except for some diplomas in Latin.

**SUMMARY:** James H. Etheridge was a gynecologist who became Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Rush Medical College. The collection contains biographical materials, correspondence of Etheridge, correspondence of Etheridge's wife's family (including the correspondence of Heman G. Powers, a Chicago businessman), Etheridge's writings, his patient records, ephemera from medical societies, photographs, and certificates and diplomas.


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## Requesting Instructions

To request items from this collection for use on site, please use the request links in the HTML version of this finding aid, available at <https://hdl.handle.net/10079/fa/med.ms.0062>.

Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box  
f. folder  
 vol. volume

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Donated by a descendant, James Grant Young, from the estate of Margaret Grant Young, 2017 and 2023.

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### Conditions Governing Use

Collection is open for research.

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## Related Materials

Additional materials related to James H. Etheridge were donated by James Grant Young, from the estate of Margaret Grant Young, to the Rush University Medical Center Archives.

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## Biographical / Historical

James Henry Etheridge, gynecologist, was born in St. Johnsville, New York, March 20, 1844. His physician father, Francis B. Etheridge, taught J. H. Etheridge medicine before the latter entered Rush Medical College, Chicago, in 1866. After graduation in 1869, Etheridge began a general practice in Evanston, Illinois. In 1870, he married Harriet Elizabeth Powers, of Evanston, daughter of wealthy businessman Heman G. Powers and Sarah Throop Powers. They traveled abroad and he visited hospitals in London. On his return in 1871, he set up practice in Chicago and became part of the teaching faculty of Rush Medical College. At first, he was a successful general practitioner, and then he specialized in gynecology. In 1889, he became Professor of Gynecology at Rush Medical College, and in 1892, Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology. He was active in medical organizations and served as President of the Chicago Medical Society and the Chicago Gynecological Society. At the height of his career, he died suddenly on February 9, 1899. He was known as a man of good nature and wit, and as a skillful and rapid operator.

Heman George Powers, wealthy Chicago businessman and father-in-law to James H. Etheridge, was born in Keeseville, New York in 1820. He married Sarah Throop in 1843 in Vergennes, Vermont. About 1857, he moved to Chicago and built up a large wholesale grocery business under the name Durand Bros. and Powers. The business was destroyed in the Chicago fire of 1871. Powers then entered the banking business and became president of a bank in Chicago. In retirement, he lived in Evanston, Illinois, and spent time at a farm he owned in Wisconsin.

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## Scope and Contents

The papers contain correspondence of J. H. Etheridge from 1894 until his death in 1899, correspondence of the Powers and Throop families back to the 1850s, medical case records and payment ledgers, talks and published articles, Rush Medical College ephemera, medical society ephemera, diplomas and certificates including some awarded to Etheridge's father, photographs, and the many obituaries written on Etheridge.

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## Arrangement

Organized into 8 series: 1. Biographical information /Obituaries. 2. Correspondence of James H. Etheridge. 3. Powers/Throop family correspondence. 4. J. H. Etheridge writings. 5. Organizations and societies. 6. Medical practice. 7. Oversize box: Additional patient records, correspondence, and miscellany. 8. Flat box: Large photographs, certificates, and diplomas.

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## Collection Contents

### Series 1: Biographical information /Obituaries

b. 1, f. 1	Correspondence of Etheridge Grant on the disposal of J.H. Etheridge's Personal effects Etheridge Grant was a descendent of J.H. and Harriet (Hattie) Etheridge. Their daughter Fanny married John MacGregor Grant.	1937
b. 1, f. 2	Handwritten obituary on Rush Medical College stationary	
b. 1, f. 3	Resolutions of the Senior Class of Rush Medical college on the death of Prof. Etheridge Folder contains the handwritten Resolutions as sent to Etheridge's family and an issue <i>The Corpuscle</i> (April 1899), the alumni journal of Rush Medical College, with the printed resolution.	1899
b. 1, f. 4	Obituary: Issue of <i>The American Gynaecological and Obstetrical Journal</i>	1899 November
b. 1, f. 5	Obituary: Issue of the <i>Chicago Medical Recorder</i>	1899 February
b. 1, f. 6	Obituary: issue of <i>The Corpuscle</i> <i>The Corpuscle</i> was the "Official Organ of the Alumni Association of Rush Medical College, Chicago, Ill." The article, "James Henry Etheridge, A.M., M.D.: In Memoriam" (volume 8, pp. 273-276 and portrait) was presented to the faculty by Prof. James B. Herrick.	1899 March
b. 1, f. 7	Obituary: Issue of <i>Journal of the American Medical Association</i>	1899 February 18
b. 1, f. 8	Obituary: Issue of <i>Journal of Scientific Medicine</i>	1899 February
b. 1, f. 9	Obituary: Issue of <i>The Medical Dial</i>	1899 May
b. 1, f. 10	Obituary: Issue of the <i>Revue de gynecologie et de chirurgie abdominale</i>	1899 August 10
b. 1, f. 11	Obituary: Issue of the <i>Tri-State Medical Journal and Practitioner</i>	1899 February
b. 1, f. 12	Obituary: Issue of <i>The Chicago Daily Tribune</i>	1899 February 10
b. 1, f. 13	Obituary: Issue of the <i>Chicago Evening Post</i>	1899 February 10
b. 1, f. 14	Obituary: Issue of <i>The Chicago Times-Herald</i>	1899 February 10
b. 1, f. 15	Other obituaries Newspaper clippings and printed report, "Monthly Meetings of the Alumnae Association of the Illinois Training School for Nurses," February 2, 1899 [sic], containing an obituary of Etheridge on page 8. For ten years Etheridge had been lecturer and physician to the School.	1899
b. 1, f. 16	Caricature of Etheridge and poem on minced pie, by C.J.P.U.	
b. 1, f. 17	Other publications that mention Etheridge	1896-1929
b. 1, f. 18	The Presbyterian Hospital of the City of Chicago, <i>Bulletin</i> Contains a history of the hospital that mentions J. H. Etheridge.	1929 October
b. 1, f. 19	James H. Etheridge - photographs	

b. 11, f. 1	James H. Etheridge photographs, portraits wearing academic robe	
b. 11, f. 2	Photograph of Rush Medical College class of 1892	1892
b. 11, f. 3	Newspaper clippings that mention Etheridge	
b. 11, f. 4	"Assignment 45," typed profile of Etheridge	undated

## Series 2: Correspondence of James H. Etheridge, 1894-1899

The collection contains only correspondence from 1894 to 1899. The alphabetical files contain mainly letters received, although there is an occasional draft of a letter by Etheridge. Among his correspondents were women patients. Etheridge asked patients to write to him on the anniversary of their operations.

The incoming correspondence was housed in two boxes of Amberg's Popular Letter File sold by Amberg File & Index Co., Chicago. Many of the letters were not accurately filed under the proper letter in the index.

Someone, likely Mrs. Etheridge, who lived into the 1920s, annotated a number of the letters.

In Box 4 there are carbons of typed correspondence by date sent by Dr. Etheridge from September 1897 to his death in February 1899.

b. 11, f. 5	Correspondence: Aitchison, W. M. Letters regarding the death of W. M. Aitchison's wife after a surgery performed by James H. Etheridge.	1894
b. 2, f. 1	Correspondence, A	
b. 2, f. 2	Correspondence: "Barkee" and "Bar and Kee" (a relative)	
b. 2, f. 3	Correspondence, B	
b. 2, f. 4	Correspondence, C	
b. 2, f. 5	Correspondence, D	
b. 2, f. 6	Correspondence: Etheridge, Annie and Locke (sister-in-law? and brother)	
b. 11, f. 6	Correspondence: Etheridge, Billy (Fanny), daughter	1892
b. 2, f. 7	Correspondence: Etheridge, Francis (Frank), brother	
b. 2, f. 8	Correspondence, E	
b. 2, f. 9	Correspondence, F	
b. 2, f. 10	Correspondence, G	
b. 2, f. 11	Correspondence: Harper, William R., President of University of Chicago	
b. 2, f. 12	Correspondence: Henrotin, Fernand	
b. 2, f. 13	Correspondence: Hyde, James Nevins	
b. 2, f. 14	Correspondence, H	
b. 2, f. 15	Correspondence: Ingals, E. Fletcher	
b. 2, f. 16	Correspondence, J	
b. 2, f. 17	Correspondence, K	
b. 11, f. 7	Correspondence: Henry J. Law	1883
b. 2, f. 19	Correspondence: Lea Brothers & Co., Philadelphia	
b. 2, f. 20	Correspondence, M	

b. 2, f. 21	Correspondence, N	
b. 2, f. 22	Correspondence, O	
b. 2, f. 23	Correspondence: Park, Roswell	
b. 2, f. 24	Correspondence: Powers, Heman R., brother-in-law There is an obituary of Heman R. Powers in Box 6, Folder 43.	1895-1897
b. 2, f. 25	Correspondence: Powers, Heman R., brother-in-law	1898-1899
b. 2, f. 26	Correspondence: Pryor, W. R., nephew	
b. 2, f. 27	Correspondence, P	
b. 3, f. 1	Correspondence, R	
b. 3, f. 2	Correspondence: Senn, N. The correspondent is not Etheridge's colleague Nicholas Senn, but rather a younger man going into federal service.	
b. 3, f. 3	Correspondence: Stone, E. M. and Mary R. R. M. Stone, M.D. was a physician in Omaha, Nebraska and his wife, Mary, was a patient of Etheridge. The case was discussed in detail.	
b. 3, f. 4	Correspondence, S	
b. 3, f. 5	Correspondence, T.	
b. 3, f. 6	Correspondence, V	
b. 3, f. 7	Correspondence, W	
b. 3, f. 8	Correspondence: "Alice," a patient	
b. 3, f. 9	Correspondence: Unidentified	
b. 3, f. 10	Correspondence concerning calcium carbide in operations for cancer of the cervix In the issue of <i>Journal of the American Medical Association</i> for July 2, 1898, Etheridge had published "A Note on the Treatment of Carcinoma of the Uterus," in which he asked for information from others on treatment by calcium carbide. These responses from physicians were placed in a file by Etheridge.	1898-1899
b. 3, f. 11	Correspondence: "Military" These materials were grouped by Etheridge. He had served in the Civil War and had later served in the First Brigade, Illinois National Guard.	1894-1896
b. 3, f. 12	Correspondence: "Military"	1897-1898 and no date
b. 4,  vol. 1	Carbons of letters by James H. Etheridge Bound volume of carbon copies of typed letters by Etheridge arranged chronologically, September 20, 1897-December 5, 1898. Volume contains 1004 numbered pages plus an index at the beginning of the volume. See next folder.	1897 September 20-1898 December 5



b. 4, f. 1

Carbons of letters by James H. Etheridge

Folder containing unbound carbon copies of letters from December 5, 1898 to February 9, 1899, the day of his death. Carbons are paged from 1 to 103.

1898 December  
5-1899 February  
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### Series 3: Powers/Throop family correspondence

This is correspondence from Harriet (Hattie) Powers Etheridge's side of the family, collected by Hattie Etheridge and her heirs. The letters were stored in several boxes of Amberg's Patent Indexes. Hattie Etheridge was the daughter of Heman G. Powers and Sarah (Throop) Powers. The bulk of this collection consists of letters to Hattie Etheridge's mother and father, Sarah Throop Powers and Heman G. Powers. Heman G. Powers's correspondence includes information on his various business dealings. The series also contains some letters by and to Hattie Etheridge, her children, and other relatives and friends.

#### Subseries 1: Correspondence of Harriet (Hattie) Powers Etheridge and children

Harriet (Hattie) Elizabeth Powers was the daughter of Heman G. Powers and Sarah (Throop) Powers. She was born in 1848 and married James H. Etheridge on June 22, 1870. Her daughters were Fanny Etheridge (Grant) and Emily (or Emma) Etheridge (Brewer)(1877-1924). As of 1920, she was living in Chicago with Emily and Emily's husband William Brewer.

b. 5, f. 1	Hattie Elizabeth Powers to parents, Sarah Throop and Heman G. Powers	1856-1870
b. 5, f. 2	Hattie Powers Etheridge to parents, Sarah Throop and Heman G. Powers	1872-1884
b. 5, f. 3	Hattie Powers Etheridge to parents, Sarah Throop and Heman G. Powers	1887-1892
b. 5, f. 4	Hattie E. Powers to grandmother, Sarah Fales Throop	1861
b. 5, f. 5	George Throop and Sarah Fales Throop (grandparents) to Hattie E. Powers	1862
b. 5, f. 6	Letters to Hattie Powers on the death of Sarah Fales Throop (grandmother)	1863
b. 5, f. 7	Heman G. Powers (father) to Hattie E. Powers	1864
b. 5, f. 8	William (Will) Brewer (son-in-law) to Hattie Etheridge William Brewer married Hattie Etheridge's daughter Emily in 1915. He served in France in World War I.	1913-1918
b. 5, f. 9	Elizabeth Duane to Hattie Powers Etheridge	1913-1926
b. 5, f. 10	James H. Etheridge, telegram to Hattie Powers Etheridge	1897
b. 5, f. 11	Mary Powers Hicks to Hattie Powers Etheridge	1913-1922
b. 11, f. 8	E. C. Kingsbury to Hattie Powers Etheridge	1899
b. 11, f. 9	Mary B. Lindsay to Hattie Powers Etheridge	1900
b. 5, f. 12	Fanny ("Billy") Etheridge to grandparents, Heman and Sarah Powers	1889-1890
b. 11, f. 10	George W. Baird to Fanny Sarah Etheridge	1897
b. 5, f. 13	Emily E. Brewer to Fanny Etheridge	1892
b. 5, f. 14	Clinton Furbish to "Billy" (Fanny Etheridge)	1893-1902
b. 5, f. 15	Mary Albin Throop to Fanny Etheridge	1878
b. 5, f. 16	Ruthven Pike to Fanny Etheridge Grant	1908 March 19
b. 5, f. 17	Correspondence of Emily Etheridge with grandparents, Heman and Sarah Powers	1882-1890

## Subseries 2: Letters to/from Heman G. and Sarah E. Throop Powers

b. 5, f. 18	Emily E. Brewer, Keeseville, N.Y., to cousins Sarah and Heman	1855-1878
b. 5, f. 19	Emily E. Brewer, Keeseville, N.Y., to Heman G. and Sarah Powers Some of the letters run to multiple numbered pages. Pages may be out of order and not linked with the correct beginning of the letter.	ca. 1880-1892
b. 5, f. 20	Mary Burttt, Kalamazoo, Mich., to Sarah Powers	1852-1876
b. 5, f. 21	Munro Burttt, Kalamazoo, Mich., to Heman G. Powers	1861-1887
b. 5, f. 22	Heman G. Powers to Molly Rogers Calhoun	no date
b. 5, f. 23	George and Mary Chahoon, Ausable Falls, N.Y., to Heman and Sarah Powers They were associated with J. & J. Rogers Iron Company.	1884-1891
b. 5, f. 24	W. F. Coolbaugh, Chicago, to Heman G. Powers W. F. Coolbaugh was president of the Union National Bank, Chicago.	1861-1876
b. 5, f. 25	William W. Fairwell, Chicago, to Heman G. Powers	1883-1888
b. 5, f. 26	Chas. H. Foote, Ausable Forks, N.Y., to Heman G. Powers	1856-1860
b. 5, f. 27	Mary P. Frazer to Heman G. and Sarah Powers	1866-1872
b. 5, f. 28	Clinton Furbish, Brooklyn, N.Y., to Heman G. Powers	1877-1890
b. 5, f. 29	H. D. Graves, Ausable Forks, N.Y., to Heman G. Powers H. D. Graves and Kate Rogers Graves (next folder) were associated with the J. & J. Rogers Iron Co.	1856, 1886-1891
b. 5, f. 30	Kate Rogers Graves to Heman G. and Sarah Powers Kate Rogers Graves was a close relative of Heman G. Powers. In the correspondence, she was Kate Rogers until the early 1860s when she married H. D. Graves. See also Mary Rogers.	1854-1891
b. 5, f. 31	Henry Green to Heman G. Powers Green was possibly Heman G. Powers' brother-in-law. His sister Elizabeth married a Henry Green.	1856-1864
b. 5, f. 32	Mary Albin Throop Hallock to Sarah Throop Powers Mary Albin Throop was Sarah's sister. Later letters were written from Saranac Lake, N.Y.	1856-1892
b. 5, f. 33	W. W. Hartwell, Plattsburgh, N.Y., to Heman G. Powers	1855-1891
b. 5, f. 34	Caroline Keeler, Keeseville, N.Y., to Sarah and Heman Powers	1864-1892
b. 5, f. 35	Sarah E. Keeler, Keeseville, N.Y., to "Cousin Sarah" [Sarah Powers]	1886-1890
b. 5, f. 36	Mrs. M. A. Keise [or Kuse] to Heman Powers	1889
b. 6, f. 1	H. F. Leavitt, Middlebury Female Seminary, to Heman G. Powers	1862-1970
b. 6, f. 2	John F. McGuire, Clinton, Iowa, to Heman G. Powers	1877-1878

Subseries 2: Letters to/from Heman G. and Sarah E. Throop Powers (continued)

b. 6, f. 3	Frank H. Palmer to Heman G. Powers	1865 December 29
b. 6, f. 4	Julia and W. B. Parkinson, Oshkosh, Wisconsin, to Heman G. Powers Julia Parkinson called Heman G. Powers "Uncle Heman."	1879-1885
b. 6, f. 5	Ruthven W. Pike to Heman G. Powers	1884-1890
b. 6, f. 6	Emily Church Powers to parents, Sarah Throop and Heman G. Powers Emily Church Powers was born in 1847.	1860-1874
b. 6, f. 7	Heman G. Powers to Sarah Powers (wife)	1872-1885
b. 6, f. 8	Major Powers (father) to Heman G. Powers	1879
b. 6, f. 9	Sarah Fales Powers to parents, Heman G. and Sarah Powers Sarah Fales Powers (1865-1924) was the youngest child of Heman G. and Sarah Throop Powers.	1880-1887
b. 6, f. 10	J. C. C. Reynolds, Keeseville, N.Y., to Heman G. Powers	1871-1891
b. 6, f. 11	James Rogers, Ausable Forks, N.Y., to Heman G. Powers Rogers was associated with the J. & J. Rogers Iron Company. The last item concerns the estate of James Rogers. See also Kate Rogers Graves.	1855-1890
b. 6, f. 12	Mary Rogers, Ausable Forks, N.Y., to Heman G. Powers	1857-1868
b. 6, f. 13	Heman G. Powers to Messrs. Rogers, Martin & Co., Ausable Forks, N.Y.	1855 April 13
b. 6, f. 14	L. B. Sidway to Heman G. Powers	1878-1879
b. 6, f. 15	Roswell Skeel to Heman G. Powers	1871, 1891, and no date
b. 6, f. 16	J. D. Smith, Vergennes, Vermont, to Heman G. Powers	1876-1888
b. 6, f. 17	George Throop (father-in-law) to Heman G. Powers George Throop was the father of Sarah Throop Powers, wife of Heman G. Powers.	1854-1873
b. 6, f. 18	Lucia Throop to Sarah Throop Powers	1860
b. 6, f. 19	Sarah Fales Throop (mother) and George Throop (father) to Sarah Throop Powers	1848-1863
b. 6, f. 20	Harriet Powers Watson and Thomas Watson and family to Heman G. and Sarah Powers	1859-1881
b. 6, f. 21	Hester Witherspoon to Sarah Powers	1865-1889
b. 6, f. 22	C. T. Wheeler, Chicago, to Heman G. Powers	1889-1891
b. 6, f. 23	Letters to Heman G. Powers from abroad, unidentified writers These were grouped together by Harriet Etheridge or other family member.	1866-1879
b. 6, f. 24	Miscellaneous letters to Heman G. Powers	1872-1891

## Subseries 2: Letters to/from Heman G. and Sarah E. Throop Powers (continued)

b. 6, f. 25	Miscellaneous letters to Sarah Powers	1886 and no date
b. 6, f. 26	Documents on the funeral of Major Powers, father of Heman G. Powers	1879
b. 6, f. 27	Heman G. Powers, Bonds, agreements, and other legal papers	1855-1868
b. 6, f. 28	Supreme Court of Illinois: Henry W. Kingsbury vs. Heman G. Powers Printed pamphlet, "Appellee's closing Argument on Rehearing"; and Finding of the Supreme Court. Ruthven W. Pike served as attorney for Powers.	1889
b. 6, f. 29	Heman G. Powers, Receipts from abroad	1868
b. 6, f. 30	Estate of Jeremiah B. Briggs, Heman G. Powers Administrator	1881-1885
Subseries 3: Other family correspondence		
b. 6, f. 31	Sarah Fales Throop to grandchildren Sarah Throop was the mother of Sarah Throop Powers. She was writing to grandchildren, Emmy, Hattie, and Lottie Powers.	1862 June 30
b. 6, f. 32	Sarah Fales Throop to Mary Probably to her daughter, Mary Albin.	no date
b. 6, f. 33	Emily Church Powers, correspondence with Sarah Fales Throop (grandmother)	1853-1860
b. 6, f. 34	Heman R. Powers, miscellaneous correspondence	1892
b. 6, f. 35	Heman R. Powers, Trip to Carthage, Missouri with J. H. Etheridge and mining agreement Folder contains a list of expenses for the trip in December 1894, and an agreement signed in 1896 that Fred B. Norton have exclusive mining rights for a defined parcel of land. See correspondence of James H. Etheridge and Heman R. Powers in Box 2 and Box 4.	1894-1896
b. 6, f. 36	Sarah Fales Powers miscellaneous correspondence	
b. 6, f. 37	Suzie F. Powers to parents	1874-1884
b. 6, f. 38	"Mrs. Currier" to "Uncle Dudley" One letter has been annotated "Mrs. Frank Palmer."	1867-1876
b. 6, f. 39	Clinton Furbish to "Fred" About the delayed manufacture of an invention.	1885 June-July
b. 6, f. 40	Letters concerning the Powers Estate Miscellaneous pages from two letters by an unidentified family member.	1919-1920
b. 6, f. 41	Copy of the will of Eliza Pratt It is not clear how this handwritten will relates to the Throop, Powers, and Etheridge families.	1884 February 22
b. 6, f. 42	Miscellaneous receipts The 1903 receipt is addressed to "Mademoiselle Etheridge" and is for jewelry from A. F. Glatour, Geneva and Cannes.	1903 and no date

Subseries 3: Other family correspondence (continued)

b. 6, f. 43	Recipes Two pages of handwritten recipes and a printed advertisement for Dr. J. B. Prescott's Canker Syrup.	
b. 6, f. 44	Printed obituaries saved by the Etheridge or Powers family Obituaries of William H. Swan (1896), Heman R. Powers (1901), William Edward Clarke, M.D. (1898), and Roswell Park, M.D. (1914).	1896-1914

**Series 4: J. H. Etheridge writings**

b. 7, f. 1	Articles/Reprints	1874
b. 7, f. 2	Articles/Reprints	1880-1889
b. 7, f. 3	Articles/Reprints	1890-1894
b. 7, f. 4	Articles/Reprints	1895-1899
b. 7, f. 5	J.H. Etheridge, "A Case of Uterine Myofibroma by Enucleation and Drainage through the Cavum Uteri," <i>W.S.O.&amp;G.</i> Entire bound volume of the <i>Proceedings of the Western Association of Obstetricians and Gynecologists</i> , 1893-1894. Etheridge's presentation is on pp. 37-41.	1894
b. 7, f. 6	"Menstruation," typescript	no date
b. 7, f. 7	Manuscript draft obituary of William Wright Jaggard (1857-1896)	ca. 1896
b. 7, f. 8	Presentation to a society on fever	
b. 7, f. 9	"Ode upon the occasion of receiving -- a delicious maple caramel cake"	
b. 7, f. 10	James H. Etheridge and Harriet E. Etheridge, "Our Little Fanny" "Biographical Notes on our first little Daughter, born May 23d. 1871. By J.H. and H.E. Etheridge." Leather volume, labelled in gold leaf, "Our Little Fanny, contains entries on Fanny's early years, photographs of Dr. and Mrs. Etheridge and baby Fanny, and a lock of Fanny's hair. The Etheridges later had another daughter, Emma (or Emily).	1872-1876
b. 11, f. 25	Two printing plates of tumors for illustrations in articles	undated

**Series 5: Organizations and societies**

b. 7, f. 11	Rush Medical College, Annual Announcements	1884-1885, 1889-1890, 1898
b. 11, f. 11	Rush Medical College Spring course for 1871, Provisional schedule of lectures and clinics 1892-93 and 1896-97	1871-1896
b. 7, f. 12	<i>The Corpuscule, edited by the Students of Rush Medical College</i> Five issues. Issues contain references to faculty members including Etheridge. See Box 1 for another issue containing an obituary of Etheridge.	1891-1893
b. 7, f. 13	Rush Medical College ephemera Contains a new year's card, clippings, and a small engraving of Rush Medical College. Three large photographs, one of Rush Medical College, and the other two of Etheridge operating are in Box 10.	
b. 11, f. 12	Rush Medical College commencement invitations	1882-1888
b. 11, f. 13	<i>The Bulletin</i> , Alumni Association of Rush Medical College	1922
b. 7, f. 14	American Medical Association Annual Meeting, Denver, ephemera	1898
b. 7, f. 15	American Medical Association Annual Meeting, St. Louis, ephemera	1886
b. 7, f. 16	Ninth International Medical Congress, Washington, D.C., ephemera	1887 September
b. 7, f. 17	Congress of American Physicians and Surgeons, Washington, D.C., ephemera	1888 September
b. 7, f. 18b. 11, f. 14	Obstetrical and gynecological societies	1894-1898
b. 7, f. 19	State and local medical societies ephemera	1883-1897
b. 7, f. 20	Annual Report, Illinois Training School for Nurses Etheridge was a member of the Advisory Board.	1898-1899
b. 7, f. 21	Other organizations Among the items is an 1895 "Private Report from the Physicians' Business Bureau" that listed local people with poor credit.	
b. 11, f. 15	Membership cards and event passes Includes Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA), Chicago Public Library, Chicago Medical Press Association, and Citizens' Association of Chicago.	1875-1889
b. 11, f. 16	College of Physicians and Surgeons, verses found on wall of dissecting room and illustration	1896
b. 11, f. 17	Pan-American Medical Congress, Section on medical pedagogics	1892-1893



## Series 6: Medical practice

This series contains bound volumes in folders that relate to Etheridge's medical practice. The record of Etheridge's medical practice is incomplete. See also folders in Box 9.

b. 8, f. 1	<p>Case histories</p> <p>In this bound volume (33x21 cm), Etheridge wrote a full account of his cases and treatment. The volume begins with a few pages of notes on a course of anatomy and physiology he attended in Ann Arbor, Michigan, in 1866. Some documents are inserted in the volume, including a letter and case history of Mrs. Hubbard sent by Dr. E. L. Homes, March 10, 1880</p>	1869-1879
b. 8, f. 2	<p>Patient ledger</p> <p>Bound volume (31x14 cm) lists patients by day, with charges and payments. There is an index to names at the beginning of the volume. The book had little information on diagnoses and treatments.</p>	1869-1871
b. 8, f. 3	<p>Account of travel to London</p> <p>Bound volume (24x20 cm) with an account of Etheridge's travels in London. Etheridge married Harriet Powers in 1870. He noted that they had spent the months of September through the most of November visiting Paris, Switzerland, Italy, Austria, Bavaria, Wurtemberg, Saxony, Russia, the Rhine and Belgium, and had now (November 26) arrived in London. "Our chief object here is to benefit me, by walking the hospital &amp; gaining all the information I can here elicit professionally. The chief object of this book is [to] note down things of interest..." Most of the remainder of the book contains lists of menus and recipes.</p>	1870 November-1870 December
b. 8, f. 4	<p>St. Vincent Hall prescriptions</p> <p>Possibly St. Vincent Hall was a dispensary. The bound volume in pencil (20x16 cm) gives the date, the name of the patient, and the prescription.</p>	1871-1872
b. 8, f. 5	<p>Patient ledger</p> <p>Large bound volume (37x23cm) containing an index of names, and a list of patients, dates of visits, amounts billed, and amounts paid.</p>	1887-1891
b. 8, f. 6	<p>Patient ledger</p>	1891-1898
b. 8, f. 7	<p>Cash book</p> <p>This bound volume (22x14 cm.) stamped "Cash" in gold leaf on the front cover, has been organized by month. For each month, Etheridge listed several entries for "Office" followed by the names of various people and amounts of money.</p>	1891 June-1899 February
b. 8, f. 8	<p>Record of patients and operations</p> <p>Bound pre-printed volume (23x15 cm.) with "Dr. Etheridge" in gold leaf on the cover. There is no indication about the publisher. The open pages have columns for date, name of patient, name of referring] physician, fees, operation, arrival, and remarks. Only a small portion of the volume was used.</p>	1893 October-1894 December
b. 8, f. 9	<p>Cases numbered 2019-2862</p> <p>The bound volume is a pre-printed case book for diseases of women. It has spaces for name, date, age, whether married, number of children, number of miscarriages, general appearance and condition, family history, symptoms (broken down by type), menstruation,...diagnosis, and treatment. There is no publishing information for this pre-printed book. Etheridge entered an index at the beginning. There is a pasted piece on the cover which says, "Mrs. H. L. Humphrey, Masseuse, 4943 Woodlawn Ave."</p>	1898-1899

b. 11, f. 18	Cough syrup prescription for Fanny Etheridge	1896
b. 11, f. 19	Formula for inhaled anesthetic, received from William A. Byrd	1886
b. 11, f. 20	Return of Birth certificate book for Chicago Board of Health	1873-1882
b. 11, b. 21	Return of Birth certificate book for Chicago Board of Health	1883-1884
b. 11, f. 22	Photographs of nurse Euphemia McIsaac	circa 1893-1899
b. 11, f. 23	Photograph of Dr. Etheridge's nursery in a hospital	1894
b. 11, f. 24	Photograph of doctors and nurses in operating room	

## Series 7: Oversize box: Additional patient records, correspondence, and miscellaneous

b. 9, f. 1	Correspondence of J. H. Etheridge: Notaway Mining Company, Cripple Creek, Colorado	1898-1899
b. 9, f. 2	Map of a mining site May relate to Folder 1.	
b. 9, f. 3	Correspondence of Heman G. Powers: Durands and Powers, Wholesale Grocers	1855-1873
b. 9, f. 4	J. H. Etheridge, presentation, "The Benefits of Association "	
b. 9, f. 5	"Names of patients treated By Dr. Etheridge in St. Joseph's Hospital, since June 1st, 1872 1872"	
b. 9, f. 6	Patient receipts, money owed, and paid	1893-1899
b. 9, f. 7	J. H. Etheridge, Notes on a case of extra-uterine pregnancy	1895 April 13
b. 9, f. 8	J. H. Etheridge, Notes on ovulation	
b. 9, f. 9	Department of State authorization as delegate to the International Congress of Gynecology and Obstetrics	1892 August 16

## Series 8: Flat box: Bright's Disease graph, large photographs, certificates and diplomas, and clippings, 1827-1899

Oversize ++

b. 10, f. 1	Table showing the leading data for the differential diagnosis of the different forms of Bright's Disease	1873
b. 10, f. 2-3	Subseries 1: Large photographs Photograph of "J.H. Etheridge's Clinic," showing J. H. Etheridge operating in an amphitheater full of spectators; photograph of Rush Medical College; photograph of an operation by Etheridge with the team standing around the patient on a gurney, ca. 1895.	
b. 10	Subseries 2: Francis B. Etheridge, J. H. Etheridge's father	
b. 10, f. 7	Membership in the Medical Society of the County of Montgomery Society was founded in 1806.	undated
b. 10, f. 7	License to practice medicine from the "Medical Society of the County of Herkimer and State of New-York"	1827 April 26
b. 10, f. 7	Doctorate in medicine from the University, City of New York Latin Large vellum diploma.	1828
b. 10	Subseries 3: James H. Etheridge	
b. 10, f. 4	Certificate for a course in chemistry taken by J. H. Etheridge at the University of Michigan	1867
b. 10, f. 5	Medical diploma from Rush Medical College	1869 February 3
b. 10, f. 5	Master's in Literary Arts, University of Chicago Latin	1877?
b. 10, f. 5	Illinois Board of Health license to practice medicine	1877
b. 10, f. 5	Certificate of original membership in the Chicago Gynaecological Society	1885 May 29
b. 10, f. 5	Certificate as a Charter Member of the Chicago Medico-Legal Society	1888 January 1
b. 10, f. 5	Resolutions of Illinois Training School for Nurses on the death of James H. Etheridge	1899 March 7
b. 10, f. 5	Memorial from the Physicians Club on the death of James H. Etheridge	1899 March 8
b. 10, f. 6	Military certificates of appointment	1893-1894
b. 10, f. 8	Newspaper clippings	

## Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### Subjects

Cervix uteri--Cancer--Surgery  
Gynecology  
Iron industry and trade -- United States  
Medical education  
Medicine, Military  
Obstetrics  
Societies, Medical  
Surgery

### Families

Powers family  
Throop family

### Genres / Formats

Account books  
Certificates  
Correspondence  
Diaries  
Medical records

### Occupations

Businessmen -- Illinois -- Chicago  
Gynecologists -- Illinois -- Chicago

### Names

Etheridge, Harriet Elizabeth Powers  
Etheridge, James Henry, 1844-1899  
Harper, William Rainey, 1856-1906  
Henrotin, Fernand, 1847-1906  
Hyde, James Nevins, 1840-1910  
Ingals, E. Fletcher (Ephraim Fletcher), 1848-1918  
Park, Roswell, 1852-1914  
Powers, Heman George, 1820-1892  
Powers, Sarah E. Throop, 1825-1902  
Pryor, William R., 1857-1904

### Corporate Bodies

Illinois. National Guard  
J. & J. Rogers Iron Company  
Lea Brothers & Company  
Moline Malleable Iron Co.  
Rush Medical College