

Patent medicine almanacs

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: Pam Coll 3

CREATOR: Abell, Truman, 1779-1853

TITLE: Patent medicine almanacs

DATES: 1843-1966

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 5 linear feet (10 boxes and 3 albums)

LANGUAGE: Almanacs are mostly in English with examples of German, French, and Swedish.


SUMMARY: The collection contains almanacs issued annually by American and a few Canadian companies to promote the sale of their proprietary remedies. Of special note is a complete collection of Hostetter's Almanac from 1867 through 1910.

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Requesting Instructions

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

b. box
f. folder
 vol. volume

Administrative Information

Custodial History

Some almanacs were transferred from Sterling Memorial Library in the 1940s. Many others were donated by William H. Helfand. The Supplement contains additional almanacs and a few other patent medicine pamphlets collected by Lloyd Moore and donated by his daughter Kathi Moore Sherman in 2018.

Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

Processing Information

The dates supplied are the years that the almanacs cover, not the year of publication, which might be the year before. Many almanacs do not have formal publication information.

Related Materials

Related collections at the Medical Historical Library include the Sheet music collection on medical themes (Pam Coll 5), the Medical trade card collection (Pam Coll 6), and the William Helfand collection of medical ephemera (Pam Coll 8).

Separated Materials

Some patent medicine almanacs in the Medical Historical Library have been cataloged separately on Orbis. For titles in this collection, the existence of other issues has been noted. Other titles not represented include Hop Bitters Almanac for 1877, Brayley's Family Medical Almanac 1883, Kickapoo Almanac, 1893, and "Rough on Rats" 1884 Almanac.

Scope and Contents

The almanacs in this collection were issued annually by American and a few Canadian companies to promote the sale of their proprietary remedies. The remedies were secret rather than actually patented, and exaggerated claims were made for what they could cure. Almanacs were distributed free to customers by drug stores. Typically the back cover of the almanac carried an advertisement for an individual pharmacy. Often the almanacs had a hole at the top left, through which a string was tied so that they could be hung on a nail on the wall. Two almanacs are in miniature format.

Arrangement

Almanacs in the first series have been arranged by short title. Titles of almanacs often vary from year to year. Depending on the consistency, titles may fall in more than one place with cross references. Sometimes variant titles have been grouped. Pamphlets in the second series have been retained in the order established by the collector.

Collection Contents

Series I: Original collection, 1843-1966

b. 1, f. 1	A. L. Scovill & Co.'s Farmers & Mechanics Almanac Published by A. L. Scovill & Co., Cincinnati, Ohio. See also an 1856 almanac titled Farmer's and Mechanic's Almanac and published by A. L. Scovill, Cincinnati.	1862, 1864, 1867, 1868
b. 1, f. 2	A. L. Scovill & Co.'s Farmers & Mechanics Almanac See later almanac under John F. Henry & Curran Co...Farmer's and Mechanic's Almanac	1870, 1871 (2 variants)
b. 1, f. 3	Almanac and Weather Forecasts Published by the Alonzo Bliss Co., Washington, D.C.	1904
b. 1, f. 4	August Flower and German Syrup Almanac Published by G. G. Green, Woodbury, N.J. Another almanac under the same title for 1890 has been cataloged separately. An issue of Green's Census and Diary Almanac has also been cataloged separately.	1896
b. 1, f. 5	[Ayer] Almanach Français d'Ayer Published by Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.	1887
b. 1, f. 6	Ayer's American Almanac	1853, 1854, 1861, 1856, 1858
b. 1, f. 7	Ayer's American Almanac	1859, 1860, 1861, 1862, 1863
b. 1, f. 8	Ayer's American Almanac	1864, 1865, 1866, 1867, 1868
b. 1, f. 9	Ayer's American Almanac	1869, 1870, 1871, 1872, 1873
b. 1, f. 10	Ayer's American Almanac	1874, 1875, 1876, 1877, 1878
b. 1, f. 11	Ayer's American Almanac	1879, 1880, 1881, 1882, 1883
b. 1, f. 12	Ayer's American Almanac	1884, 1885, 1886, 1887
b. 1, f. 13	Ayer's American Almanac Another 1889 almanac, titled Ayer's almanac for 1889, has been cataloged separately.	1888, 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892
b. 2, f. 1	Ayer's American Almanac	1893, 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897
b. 2, f. 2	Ayer's American Almanac	1898, 1899, 1902, 1904, 1906
b. 2, f. 3	Ayer's American Almanac	1907, 1909, 1911, 1912, 1913

b. 2, f. 4	Ayer's American Almanac	1914, 1915, 1920
b. 2, f. 5	Ayer's American Almanac Canadian Edition	1902, 1911, 1922
b. 2, f. 6	Ayer's American Almanac New England Edition	1899
b. 2, f. 7	Ayer's Amerikanischer Almanach German	1856, 1867
b. 2, f. 8	Ayer's Deutscher Almanach German	1881, 1893
b. 2, f. 9	Ayer's Svenska Almanacka Swedish	1893
b. 2, f. 10	Ayer's 20th Century Almanac	1900
b. 2, f. 11	B. A. Fahnestock & Co.'s Free Almanac Published by B. A. Fahnestock & Co., Pittsburgh. Variant titles are R. A. Fahnestock & Co.'s Almanac, and B. A. Fahnestock, Hull & Co.'s Free Almanac.	1851, 1852, 1853, 1856
b. 2, f. 12	The Benefactor By George E. Stanton & Co., Sing Sing, N.Y.	1849
b. 2, f. 13	Brandreth's Annual Calendar/ Dr. Brandreth's Almanac Published by Dr. B. Brandreth, New York, N.Y.	1860, 1869, 1875, 1876
b. 2, f. 14	Brandreth Annual Calendar	1880, 1881, 1883
b. 2, f. 15	Brant's Family Almanac Almanac for 1852 published by Wallace & Co., New York, N.Y. Almanac for 1854 published by M. T. Wallace & Co., Brooklyn, N.Y.	1852, 1853, 1854
b. 2, f. 16	Bristol's Free Almanac Publication information unclear. Advertises Bristol's Sarsaparilla manufactured by C. C. Bristol, Chemist & Druggist, Buffalo, N.Y., William Burger, General Agent, New York, N.Y.	1843, 1844, 1846
b. 2, f. 17	Bucklen's Almanac Published by H.E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago.	1903
b. 2, f. 18	Burdock Blood Bitters Almanac and Key to Health Published by Foster, Milburn & Co., Buffalo, N.Y. See also Series 2, Volume 3.	1884, 1885, 1886
b. 2, f. 19	Burdock Blood Bitters Almanac and Key to Health The 1893 almanac was published by T. Milburn & Co., Toronto, Canada.	1887, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1893
b. 3, f. 1	C. W. Roback's Astrological Almanac/ Dr. C. W. Roback's Family Pictorial Almanac/ Dr. Roback's Medical Almanac 1851 almanac published by C. W. Roback, Philadelphia. 1856 Almanac published by C. W. Roback, Cincinnati.	1851, 1855, 1860
b. 3, f. 2	Centaur Almanac Published by J. B. Ross & Co., New York. The 1886 almanac was titled Centaur Almanac and Cookbook.	1873, 1874, 1875, 1876, 1886

b. 3, f. 3	Centennial Calendar and Simmons Liver Regulator Published by J. H. Zeitlin & Co., Philadelphia. The 1876 almanac was titled Centennial Record and Simmons Liver Regulator.	1876, 1879, 1880 (2 copies), 1882, 1883
b. 3, f. 4	Christie's Family Almanac Published by D. C. Morehead, M.D., New York, N.Y.	1854, 1855
b. 3, f. 5	Clarks' Cleveland Almanac/ Clarks' Anti-Bilious Compound Almanac 1875 almanac published by R.C. & C.S. Clark, Operative Chemists, Cleveland, Ohio.	1875, 1877
b. 3, f. 6	The Diamond Dye Almanac Published by Wells, Richardson & Co., Burlington, Vermont.	1887
b. 3, f. 7	Dr. A. W. Chase's Calendar Almanac Published by Dr. S. W. Chase Medicine Co., Toronto, Canada.	1923, 1928
b. 3, f. 8	Dr. Browder's Family Almanac Published by William A. Egery, Boston.	1847
b. 3, f. 9	Dr. D. Jayne's Medical Almanac and Guide to Health Published by Dr. D. Jayne & Son, Philadelphia. The 1880 almanac and one of the variant 1885 almanacs are titled Dr. Jayne's Medical Almanac. See also under Jayne's and in Series 2, Volume 3.	1880, 1885 (2 variants), 1898
b. 3, f. 10	Dr. D. Jayne's Medical Almanac and Guide to Health	1908, 1910, 1924, 1933
b. 3, f. 11	Dr. McLean's Medical Almanac Published by Dr. J. H. McLean Medicine Co., St. Louis, Missouri.	1914
b. 3, f. 12	Dr. Miles New Weather Almanac Published by Dr. Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Indiana.	1911, 1918, 1931, 1932, 1933
b. 3, f. 13	Dr. Miles New Weather Almanac	1935, 1938, 1939, 1940
b. 3, f. 14	Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills Almanac Published by the W. H. Comstock Company, Limited, Morristown, St. Lawrence County, New York and Brockville, Ontario, Canada.	1898, 1902, 1923
b. 3, f. 15	Dr. O. Phelps Brown's Shakespearian Almanac Published by J. Gibson Brown, Jersey City, N.J.	1885
b. 3, f. 16	Dr. Radway's Almanac/ Radway's R.R.R. Almanac Published by Dr. Radway & Co., New York, N.Y. Titles vary. They include Dr. Radway's Constitutional Almanac (1862), Dr. Radway's Almanac (1867), R.R.R. Dr. Radway's Almanac (1869, 1872), Radway's R.R.R. Almanac and Guide to Health (1873, 1875). R.R.R. stands for Radway's Ready Relief.	1862, 1867, 1869, 1872, 1873 (2 versions), 1875
b. 3, f. 17	Dr. S. S. Fitch's Almanac/ Dr. S. S. Fitch's Family Almanac Published by S. S. Fitch & Co., New York, N.Y.	1854, 1860, 1862
b. 3, f. 18	Dr. Wistar's Free Almanac Published by Seth W. Fowle, Boston.	1846, 1847, 1848, 1849, 1851

b. 4, f. 1	Everybody's Almanac and Family Receipt Book Published by C. M. Jackson, M.D., Philadelphia.	1856, 1857
b. 4, f. 2	Excelsior Almanac Published by Dr. [Benjamin] Brandreth, New York. See also Brandreth Annual Calendar. Another 1870 almanac under the same title has been cataloged separately.	1870
b. 4, f. 3	Family Almanac, and Franklin Calendar Published by E. Darrow, Rochester, N.Y.	1849
b. 4, f. 4	The Family Almanac and Guide to Health By S[amuel]. S[heldon]. Fitch, New York, N.Y. See also Dr. S. S. Fitch's Almanac.	1857
b. 4, f. 5	Family Health Almanac Published by the Office of the Health Reformer, Battle Creek, Michigan.	1876
b. 4, f. 6	Family Medical Almanac Published by Comstock & Co., New York, N. Y.	1845
b. 4, f. 7	Farmers' Almanac "By Samuel Hart Wright, M.D., Penn Yan, Yates County, N.Y." Published by Pinchot, Bruen & Hobart, Wholesale Druggists, New York, N.Y.	1872, 1875
b. 4, f. 8	Farmers' Almanac By R. W. Robinson & Son, Druggists, New York, N.Y.	1885, 1886, 1887, 1888
b. 4, f. 9	Farmers' Almanac	1889, 1890, 1891, 1892
b. 4, f. 10	Farmers' Almanac	1893, 1894, 1895, 1896
b. 4, f. 11	Farmers' Almanac	1897, 1898, 1899, 1900
b. 4, f. 12	Farmers' Almanac	1901, 1902, 1903
b. 4, f. 13	Farmers' Almanac	1904, 1905, 1906
b. 4, f. 14	Farmer's and Mechanic's Almanac Published by A. L. Scovill, Cincinnati, Ohio. See also A. L. Scovill & Co.'s Farmers and Mechanics Almanac.	1856
b. 4, f. 15	Farmer's and Mechanic's Almanac Published by Bolles, Smith & Co., Chicago.	1858
b. 4, f. 16	Farmers' and Mechanics' Almanac Published by C. G. Clark & Co., Wholesale Druggists, New Haven, Conn.	1865
b. 4, f. 17	Farmer's and Mechanics Almanac Published by William B. Moffat, New York, N.Y. See also under Moffat's.	1852, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1857

b. 4, f. 18	The Frederick Almanac Published by Victor Remedies Co., Frederick City, Maryland. The Frederick Almanac for the Year of Our Lord 1908 has been cataloged separately.	1905, 1907, 1909
b. 4, f. 19	Free Almanac for the World	1849, 1853
b. 5, f. 1	The Gargling Oil Company's National Almanac Published by Merchant's Gargling Oil Co., successors to Geo. W. Merchant, Lockport, N.Y. See also Merchant's Gargling Oil Almanac and Series 2, Volume 3.	1862, 1863, 1868
b. 5, f. 2	George Coster & Co's Family Almanac and Medical Repository Published by George Coster & Co., Mobile, Alabama. Alternate titles include Coster & Sprague's Family Almanac and Medical Repository, and Geo. Coster & Co's Family Almanac and Medical Repository.	1873, 1874, 1875, 1876
b. 5, f. 3	Graefenberg Almanac Published by the Graefenberg Company, New York, N.Y. Alternate titles include simply Almanac.	1859, 1860, 1861, 1862
b. 5, f. 4	Green's Pictorial Almanac Published by G. G. Green, Woodbury, N.J. Variant titles include Green's Atlas and Diary Almanac, Green's Census and Diary Almanac and Green's Diary Almanac. See also Series 2, Volume 3.	1879, 1880, 1881 (2 versions), 1882
b. 5, f. 5	Grier's Almanac "Copyright and printed by J. W. Burke & Co., Macon, Ga...presented by Howard & Willet, Wholesale Druggists, Augusta, Ga."	1890
b. 5, f. 6	Hazeltine's Pocket Book Almanac Miniature almanac 5 x 3 cm. Published by E. T. Hazeltine, Warren, Pa.	1883
b. 5, f. 7	Health Almanac and Guide to Invalids Published by Samuel Sheldon Fitch, New York, N.Y. See also Dr. S. S. Fitch's Almanac. Additional issues of this title have been cataloged separately.	1851, 1852, 1853
b. 5, f. 8	Healthway Products Almanac By the Illinois Herb Company, Chicago. Uses an Indian motif.	1950, 1960, 1966
b. 5, f. 9	The Herbalist Almanac Published by the Calumet Herb Co., South Holland, Ill. Indian motif.	1933, 1934, 1936, 1938
b. 5, f. 10	The Herbalist Almanac	1939, 1940, 1943
b. 5, f. 11	Herrick's Almanac By L. W. Warner & Co., New York, N.Y.	1878
b. 5, f. 12	The Home Almanac Published by Seth W. Fowle & Co., Boston.	1858
b. 5, f. 13	Hoofland's Almanac Published by Johnston, Holloway & Co., Philadelphia.	1878
b. 5, f. 14	[Hoofland] Hufeland's Kalender German	1876, 1879

b. 5, f. 15	Horsford Almanac and Cook Book Published by the Rumford Chemical Works, Providence, R.I.	1882
b. 5, f. 16	Hostetter's United States Almanac Published by Hostetter & Smith, Pittsburgh, Pa. Variant title is Hostetter's Illustrated United States Almanac. See Series 2, Volumes 1 and 2 for a complete set of Hostetter's Alamabac, 1867-1910.	1864, 1869, 1871, 1873
b. 5, f. 17	Hostetter's Illustrated United States Almanac Published by Hostetter & Smith, Pittsburgh, Pa. (1877, 1878, 1879, 1885) or Hostetter and Co., Pittsburgh, Pa. (1886).	1877, 1878, 1879, 1885, 1886
b. 6, f. 1	Hostetter's Illustrated United States Almanac	1888, 1897, 1906, 1910
b. 6, f. 2	Hostetters illustrerte forenede staters Almanak German	1890, 1902
b. 6, f. 3	The Household Almanac Published by Henry, Johnson, & Lord, Burlington, Vt.	1887
b. 6, f. 4	Illinois Herb Co. Almanac Published by the Illinois Herb Co., Chicago. See also Healthway Products.	1937, 1938, 1940
b. 6, f. 5	Illinois Herb Co. Healthway Products Almanac Published by the Illinois Herb Co., Chicago. See also Healthway Products Almanac and Illinois Herb Co. Healthway Products Almanac. Indian motif.	1937, 1938, 1940
b. 6, f. 6	The Illustrated Family Recipe and Medical Almanac Published by A. B. & D. Sands, Wholesale Druggists, New York, N.Y.	1850, 1853, 1854, 1857
b. 6, f. 7	Jayne's Medical Almanac, and Guide to Health Published by Dr. D. Jayne, Philadelphia.	1848, 1850, 1851, 1852
b. 6, f. 8	Jayne's Medical Almanac and Guide to Health Beginning with the 1858 almanac, the publisher became Dr. D. Jayne & Son, Philadelphia.	1853, 1855, 1858, 1859
b. 6, f. 9	Jayne's Medical Almanac and Guide to Health	1860, 1868, 1869, 1870, 1871
b. 6, f. 10	Jayne's Medical Almanac and Guide to Health For intervening years, see Dr. D. Jayne's Medical Almanac and Guide to Health.	1935, 1937, 1939
b. 6, f. 11	[Jayne's] Dr. Jayne's Arzenei-Kalender, und Gesundheits-Wegweiser/ Jayne's Medizinischer Calender und Gesundheits-Wegweiser German	1849, 1859, 1872
b. 6, f. 12	[Jayne's] Jahne's Medizinischer Calender und Gesundheits Weg-Weiser German	1915
b. 6, f. 13	John F. Henry, Curran & Co...Farmer's & Mechanic's Almanac Published by John F. Henry, Curran & Co. successors to A. L. Scovill & Co., New York, N.Y. See earlier almanacs under A. L. Scovill.	1875, 1877

b. 7, f. 1	Kodol Almanac Published by E. C. Dewitt & Co., Chicago.	1903
b. 7, f. 2	The Ladies Birthday Almanac Published by the Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn. Indian motif.	1910, 1911, 1913, 1914, 1915
b. 7, f. 3	The Ladies Birthday Almanac	1921, 1928, 1939, 1940, 1942
b. 7, f. 4	The Ladies Birthday Almanac	1944, 1946, 1952, 1956, 1959
b. 7, f. 5	The Magnetic Almanac Published by D. Ransom & Co., Buffalo, N.Y.	1866, 1867, 1868
b. 7, f. 6	Merchant's Gargling Oil Almanac Published by Merchant's Gargling Oil Company, Lockport, N.Y. Title of 1875 almanac is Merchant's Gargling Oil National Almanac.	1875, 1876, 1878, 1879, 1880
b. 7, f. 7	Merchant's Gargling Oil Almanac	1881, 1884, 1886
b. 7, f. 8	Moffat's Agricultural Almanac [and related titles] Published by Dr. William B. Moffat, New York, N.Y. Title varies greatly. The titles are Moffat's Agricultural Almanac (1845), Moffat's Medical and Agricultural Almanack (1846), Moffat's...Agricultural and Family Almanack (1847), Agricultural and Family Almanac (1848, 1850), and The Family Almanac (1851).	1845, 1846, 1847, 1848, 1850, 1851
b. 7, f. 9	Morning Noon and Night Published by P. H. Drake & Co., New York, N.Y.	1870, 1872
b. 7, f. 10	Munyon's Almanac Published by the Munyon Remedy Co., Philadelphia.	1909
b. 7, f. 11	N.A.R.D. Almanac Published by the National Association of Retail Druggists.	1921
b. 7, f. 12	National Calendar or Herrick's Almanac Published by Dr. Herrick & Brother, Practical Chemists, Albany, N.Y. See also Series 2, Volume 3.	1862, 1863, 1864, 1866, 1867
b. 7, f. 13	National Calendar or Herrick's Almanac 1872 almanac and after published by L. W. Warner & Co., New York, N.Y.	1869, 1870, 1871, 1872, 1873
b. 8, f. 1	National Calendar or Herrick's Almanac Almanacs for 1876, 1877, and 1882 are titled Herrick's Almanac.	1874, 1875 (2 versions), 1876, 1877, 1882
b. 8, f. 2	National Calendar or Herrick's Almanac Published by the proprietors of Dr. Herrick's Family Medicines, New York, N.Y. Another 1888 almanac has been cataloged separately under National calendar, or Herrick's almanac.	1885, 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889
b. 8, f. 3	National Calendar or Herrick's Almanac Published by the Proprietors of Dr. Herrick's Family Medicines, New York, N.Y.	1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1894

b. 8, f. 4	National Calendar or Herrick's Almanac Published by the Proprietors of Dr. Herrick's Family Medicines, New York, N.Y. The 1911 almanac was published by Dr. Herrick's Family Medicine Co., James F. Ballard, proprietor, St. Louis, Mo.	1896, 1900, 1902, 1903, 1911
b. 8, f. 5	The National State Almanac Published by Wells, Richardson & Co., Burlington, Vt. See also the Vermont State Almanac.	1884, 1886
b. 8, f. 6	The New-England Almanac and Farmer's Friend Published by Starr & Co., New London, Conn. 1864 and 1865 almanacs published by C. Prince (Starr & Co.), New London, Conn.	1861, 1863, 1864, 1865
b. 8, f. 7	The New England Almanac and Farmer's Friend Published by C. Prince, New London, Conn.	1866, 1867, 1869, 1870
b. 8, f. 8	New-England Farmer's Almanac By Truman W. Abell (Dr. Truman Abell's New England Family Medicines). Published by Jones & Cogswell, Concord, N.H.	1856
b. 8, f. 9	The New York Almanac Published by the Centaur Company, New York, N.Y.	1888, 1901, 1903
b. 8, f. 10	Northrop & Lyman Co.'s Almanac Published by Northrop & Lyman Co. Limited, Toronto, Canada.	1905
b. 8, f. 11	Pain-Killer Almanac & Family Receipt Book Published by Perry Davis & Son, Providence, R.I.	1867, 1868
b. 8, f. 12	Parke & Parke Limited Almanac Published by Parke & Parke Limited, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada.	1922
b. 8, f. 13	The People's Almanac Published by Louden & Co., Druggists and Chemists, Philadelphia.	1855
b. 8, f. 14	The People's Almanac Published by Bennett & Beers, Richmond, Va.	1855
b. 9, f. 1	The People's Illustrated Almanac Published by Clapp & Townsend, New York, N.Y.	1850
b. 9, f. 2	The Peruna Almanac Published by the Peruna Drug Manufacturing Co., Columbus, Ohio. The almanacs for 1916 and 1918 were published by the Peruna Co., Columbus, Ohio.	1901, 1902, 1903, 1906, 1916, 1918
b. 9, f. 3	Piso's Pocket Book Almanac Miniature almanac 5x3 cm. published by the Piso Company, Warren, Pa.	1906
b. 9, f. 4	Poor Richard's Lactopeptine Almanack Published by the New York Pharmacal Association, Yonkers, N.Y.	1914

b. 9, f. 5	Rawleigh's Almanac Published by the W.T. Rawleigh Medical Company, Freeport, Ill. The 1911 almanac is titled Rawleigh's Almanac Cook Book & Medical Guide, and the 1923 almanac is titled Rawleigh's Good Health Guide Almanac Cook Book.	1911, 1923
b. 9, f. 6	Der Recept-Kalender German Published by David D. Elder & Co., Philadelphia. This almanac is more of a popular health manual than an advertisement for patent medicines.	1875
b. 9, f. 7	Rescue of Tula Almanac Published by B. L. Judson & Co., New York, N.Y. Indian motif.	1864
b. 9, f. 8	Rosdalis Almanac Published by Clements & Co., Baltimore, Md.	1870, 1873
b. 9, f. 9	Rush's Almanac and Guide to Health Published by Dr. A. H. Flanders, New York, N.Y.	1869 (2 versions), 1873, 1877, 1878, 1879, 1880
b. 9, f. 10	Scheetz's Illustrated Almanac Published by Jacob Scheetz, Philadelphia.	1872
b. 9, f. 11	Schenck's Almanac Published by Dr. J. H. Schenck, Philadelphia. Almanacs for 1873 and 1878 were published by Dr. J. H. Schenck & Son, Philadelphia.	1868, 1869, 1870, 1873, 1878
b. 9, f. 12	Schenck's Almanach German	1874
b. 9, f. 13	Seven Barks Almanac Published by Lyman Brown, New York, N.Y. Almanac for 1885 is titled Seven Barks. Almanac for 1886 is titled the 7 Wonders of the World Almanac.	1885, 1886 (2 versions), 1892 (2 versions)
b. 9, f. 14	Shaker Almanac Published by A. J. White, New York, N.Y. The 1882 almanac is titled The Story of the Shakers...Calendar.	1882, 1884, 1885, 1886, 1892
b. 9, f. 15	Swamp Root Almanac Published by Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N.Y. The 1943 almanac was published by Kilmer & Co., Inc., Stamford, Conn. Indian motif on cover.	1911, 1913, 1942, 1943
b. 10, f. 1	Trail Blazer's Almanac Published by Trail Blazer's Pub. Co., Kewanee, Ill. Advertises a wide variety of merchandise besides medicines.	1943
b. 10, f. 2	Treasure Chest Almanac Published by Dr. Pierce's Clinic, Buffalo, N.Y.	1932
b. 10, f. 3	Tucker & Co.'s National Almanac Published by M. H. Tucker & Co., successors to George W. Merchant, Lockport, N.Y. See also the Gargling Oil Company's National Almanac, and Merchant's Gargling Oil Almanac.	1858, 1859

b. 10, f. 4	University Almanac and Business Book Published by the University Publishing Society, New York, N.Y. The company was located on University Place in New York and claimed to be related to the New York Medical University.	1869, 1871, 1872, 1876
b. 10, f. 5	Vennor's Weather Almanac Published by A. Vogeler & Co., Baltimore, Md.	1883
b. 10, f. 6	The Vermont State Almanac Published by Wells, Richardson & Co., Burlington, Vt. See also the National State Almanac. Another issue under the title Vermont State Almanac (published in 1884), has been cataloged separately.	1883, 1884, 1885
b. 10, f. 7	Veterans of the War...Almanac Paid for by H. T. Helmbold, New York and Philadelphia. Includes "History of the Late Rebellion, from 1860 to 1865," published by the Soldiers & Sailors' Publishing Company.	1869
b. 10, f. 8	Vinegar Bitters Almanac Published by R. H. McDonald & Co., Druggists and General Agents, San Francisco, California. One 1879 almanac has an advertisement on the back cover for E. A. Gessner, Dealers in Drugs, Medicines & Chemicals...New Haven, Conn.	1872, 1873, 1874, 1878, 1879 (2 versions)
b. 10, f. 9	Warner's Safe Cure Almanac Published by H. H. Warner & Co., Rochester, N.Y. Another issue under the title Warner's Safe Calendar, 1884-5 has been cataloged separately.	1892
b. 10, f. 10	Watkins Almanac Published by the J. R. Watkins Medical Company, Winona, Minn.	1913
b. 10, f. 11	Wright's Pictorial Family Almanac Published by Dr. Wm. Wright, Philadelphia. The 1851 almanac is titled Wright's Family Almanac. After 1851, there is an Indian scene on the bottom of the cover.	1851, 1853, 1854, 1855 (2 versions)
b. 10, f. 12	Wright's Pictorial Family Almanac	1858, 1859, 1862, 1863, 1865
b. 10, f. 13	Wright's Pictorial Family Almanac Later almanacs published by E. Ferrett, Agent for Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills, New York, N.Y.	1866, 1869, 1887, 1890, 1892, 1894

Series II: Supplement from the collection of Lloyd Moore, 1867-1932

These almanacs, housed in three notebooks, were collected by Professor Lloyd Moore (1916-2004). Moore was a graduate of Columbia University (1939) and the Brooklyn College of Pharmacy (1944). He was an active member of the American Pharmaceutical Association. His collection of almanacs and other medical ephemera was used as part of his lectures at the Brooklyn College of Pharmacy and Nassau Community College.

☰ vol. 1	Hostetter's Illustrated United States Almanac Full title is Hostetter's Illustrated United States Almanac for Merchants, Mechanics, Miners, Farmers, Planters and General Family Use. This volume contains a complete set of almanacs from 1867 through 1899. Published by Hostetter & Smith, Pittsburgh through 1885. Published by Hostetter & Co., Pittsburgh, 1886-1890. Published by the Hostetter Company, Pittsburgh, 1891-1899. The main product advertised was Hostetter's Stomach Bitters.	1867-1899
☰ vol. 2	Hostetter's Illustrated Unites States Almanac Complete set of almanacs from 1900 to 1910, published by the Hostetter Company, Pittsburgh, Pa.	1900-1910
☰ vol. 3	Other patent medicine almanacs Items maintained in the order established by the collector, Professor Moore, who created an index to them.	1876-1932
☰ vol. 3, item 1	Green's Diary Almanac Published by G. G. Green, Woodbury, New Jersey. Advertises Boschee's German Syrup, Green's August Flower, and Green's Ague Conqueror.	1882
☰ vol. 3, item 2	Green's Atlas and Diary Almanac	1881
☰ vol. 3, item 3	Barker's Illustrated Almanac Published by the Barker, Moore & Mein Medicine Company, Philadelphia. Advertises Barker's Nerve and Bone Liniment and Barker's Horse, Cattle & Poultry Powder.	1897
☰ vol. 3, item 4	Merchant's Gargling Oil Almanac Published by Merchant's Gargling Oil Company, Lockport, New York. Advertises Merchant's Gargling Oil Liniment, "a liniment for man and beast."	1879
☰ vol. 3, item 5	Mrs. Winslow's Domestic Receipt Book Published by Jeremiah Curtis & Sons, Boston, and John I. Brown & Sons, New York. Advertises Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, a remedy for infants that contained opium; Brown's Bronchial Troches, Brown's Vermifuge Confits, Brown's Household Panacea, and Brown's Camphorated Saponaceous Dentifrice. The pamphlet contains recipes for meals and for household use.	1876
☰ vol. 3, item 6	Doan's Directory of the United States Published by the Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York. The Directory lists the population of every town in the United States with over 1000 people. The pamphlet advertises Doan's Kidney Pills and other medications.	1909
☰ vol. 3, item 7	Doan's Directory of the U.S. with Latest Census of Large Cities	1913-1914

Other patent medicine almanacs (continued)

☰ vol. 3, item 8	Doan's Directory of the Unites States, Latest Edition Advertises Doan's Pills, "stimulant diuretic to the kidneys," and other medications.	1926
☰ vol. 3, item 9	Doan's Directory of the United States, Latest Edition	1932
☰ vol. 3, item 10	Dr. D. Jayne's Medical Almanac and Guide to Health Published by Dr. D. Jayne & Son, Philadelphia. Advertises Dr. D. Jayne's Family Medicines including Expectorant, Tonic Vermifuge, Specific for Tape Worm, Carminative Balsam, Alterative, Liniment or Counter Irritant, Sanative Pills, and Hair Tonic.	1888
☰ vol. 3, item 11	Vinegar Bitters Almanac: Devoted to Temperance, Health and Economy Published by R. H. McDonald & Co., Druggists and General Agents, San Francisco. Advertises Dr. Walker's California Vinegar Bitters, the "only temperance bitters known."	1874
☰ vol. 3, item 12	National Calendar or Herrick's Almanac "Published by the Proprietors of Dr. Herrick's Family Medicine," New York. Advertises Herrick's Sugar-Coated Vegetable Liver Pills, Renne's Pain-Killing Magic Oil, Dr. Herrick's German Horse Liniment, Harvell's Condition Powders (also veterinary), and various Herrick's plasters.	1891
☰ vol. 3, item 13	National Calendar or Herrick's Almanac	1902
☰ vol. 3, item 14	Burdock Blood Bitters Almanac and Key to Health Published by Foster, Milburn & Co., Buffalo, New York. Advertises Burdock Blood Bitters (B.B.B.) and Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil.	1889
☰ vol. 3, item 15	Pierce's Memorandum Account Book Published by the World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, New York. Advertises Dr. Pierce's Standard Medicines. Pierce is Dr. R. V. Pierce.	1881
☰ vol. 3, item 16	Epilepsy (Fits) and St. Vitus's Dance (Chorea). World Dispensary Dime Series R. V. Pierce, M.D. was consulting physician to the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, New York. This publication advertises the institution and its successful cases.	1885

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Almanach francais d'Ayer
August flower and German syrup almanac
Ayer's American almanac
Ayer's Amerikanischer Almanach
Ayer's Deutscher Almanach
Ayer's Svenska Almanacka
Barker's illustrated almanac
Benefactor : an almanac
Brandreth annual calendar
Brant's family almanac
Bristol's free almanac
Bucklen's almanac
Burdock Blood Bitters almanac
C.W. Roback's astrological almanac
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Centennial calendar or Simmons Liver Regulator almanac
Christie's family almanac
Clark's Anti-Bilious Compound almanac
Clark's Cleveland almanac
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Dr. Jayne's medical almanac and guide to health
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Dr. Radway's almanac
Dr. Roback's medical almanac
Dr. S.S. Fitch's almanac
Dr. Wistar's free almanac
Epilepsy (fits) and St. Vitus dance (chorea)
Everybody's almanac and family receipt book
Excelsior almanac
Fahnestock & Co.'s free almanac
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Family medical almanac
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Farmers and mechanics almanac and family recipe book
Frederick almanac
Free almanac for the world and advertiser
George Coster & Co's family almanac and medical repository
Graefenberg Company's almanac
Green's atlas and diary almanac
Grier's almanac for the states of South Carolina, Georgia, Floirda, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Louisiana and Texas
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Health almanac, and guide to invalids
Healthway products almanac
Hoofland's almanac
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Moffat's agricultural almanac
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