

Joseph Bell: some personal possessions

Reference and contact details: GB779

RCSEd GD/100/94

Location: Museum & Strong Room

Title:

Dates of Creation: n.d. 19th century

Held at: The Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh

Extent:

Name of Creator:

Language of Material: English.

Level of Description:

Administrative/Biographical History:

Joseph Bell (1837-1911) FRCSEd 1863. PRCSed 1887.

The College is fortunate to have a large amount of material on long term loan, from a family member now resident in Dorset, that belonged to Dr Joseph Bell, famously the model for Conan Doyle's fictional character Sherlock Holmes.

The material on loan is listed in our collection GD 16 and additionally includes the handsome silver cup pictured on this page, given to Joseph Bell by "Sir Henry Littlejohn in memory of a constant friendship..."

Mr John L. B. Bell, of London, also presented Bell memorabilia and letters containing useful Bell information, to the College in June 2006.

This included academic robes formerly belonging to Dr "Joe" Bell, his personal seal stamp with 'JB' initials and an unusual twisted horn paper knife, pictured here.

