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MEDCHI RELEASES DIGITAL VERSIONS OF PRE-1900 MARYLAND MEDICAL JOURNALS

BALTIMORE, April 19, 2017 — MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society, is pleased to announce that 65 volumes of the Maryland Medical Journal, from 1878 to 1899, have been digitized and are now available to the public in a fully searchable version. Twentieth century medical journals from all 50 states are being digitized as part of a national project, but MedChi's medical journal was founded in 1878, and the decision was made to privately fund the digitization of the nineteenth century volumes.

In the 1800's, the Maryland Medical Journal was published Medical & Chirurgical Faculty of Maryland, now known as MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society. Each weekly issue was 50 to 70 pages long and featured articles on medical advances, papers on specific diseases and cures, obituaries of physicians from around the world, and news, notes and anecdotes.

MedChi's History of Maryland Medicine Chair, Allan Jensen, MD, says, "The digital versions of these early medical journals will be invaluable to scholars, medical historians and genealogists, as the volumes are fully searchable by name, topic and other criteria." The digital books are available through Archives.org or via a link on MedChi's website.

Digitization was done through Archives.org, a non-profit digital library offering free universal access to books, movies, music, and 284 billion archived web pages, at its location in Beltsville, Maryland. Funding for the project was provided by Dr. Mario Molina, a member of MedChi.

About MedChi

MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society, is a non-profit membership association of Maryland physicians. Formed in 1799, it is still the largest physician organization in Maryland today. The mission of MedChi is to serve as Maryland's foremost advocate and resource for physicians, their patients and the public health of Maryland. For more information, please visit www.medchi.org.