

SEAVY, Llewellyn, papers. 1871-1927. .3 l.f.

Abstract: Llewellyn T. Seavey was a physician who practiced medicine in Port Townsend, Washington.

Biography: Llewellyn T. Seavey (1851-) graduated from the medical department of the University of California in 1878. He worked as a police surgeon for San Francisco for several months, then joined the Pacific Mail Steamship Company as a surgeon, where he served from 1879-1881. Seavey settled in Port Townsend and practiced medicine until his death.

Scope and content: The collection contains a letter-diary and a diary kept by Seavey during his service in the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, 1879-1881, detailing shipboard life and medical cases; diary of a trip from Liverpool, England to New Orleans, 1876; and a diary of a trip on the *Norris* from San Francisco to Salinas Cruz, Mexico and return, 1883. There is a superb letter from Vandelia Hogan describing her sister's illness and death from breast cancer, 1871. Also included is Seavey's *Medical record visiting list, or physician's diary*, 1883-1884, listing his visits, payments, and some diagnoses. There is a volume of *Record of Examinations* performed by the Board of U.S. Examining Surgeons, Bureau of Pensions at Port Townsend, of which Seavey was a member, 1898-1924. It includes extensive detail of examinations performed on veterans making application for various pension adjustments. In the miscellaneous correspondence there is a superb letter from Vandalia Hogan describing her sister's illness and death from breast cancer, 1871, and a manuscript copy of a letter from Seavey to the Seattle *Post-Intelligencer* concerning the derelict Japanese fishing vessel *Rio Gil Mano* [?]. 1927.

Inclusive dates: 1871-1927

Restrictions: None

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Box 1

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1	Diary. London to New Orleans on board ship <i>Norris</i> , 22 January 1876-24 March 1876. 16 pp.
2	Diary. Letter/diary to family written as he sailed on a trans-Pacific voyage as ship's surgeon for the Pacific Mail Steamship Co., 1 January 1879-10 March 1879. 14 pp.

- 3 Diary. Written as ship's surgeon for the Pacific Mail Steamship Co., during voyages along the west coast of North America between San Francisco and Panama City, 1 January 1880-5 June 1880 on board *S.S. City of Panama* and 4 January-15 May-1881, on board *S.S. Grenada*.

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Diary. Medical record 3 May-6 May 1881, on board *S.S. Grenada*. 3 pp.

- 1 Diary. On board *Norris*, San Francisco to Salina Cruz, Mexico and return 22 January-14 February 1883 and 10 April-11 May 1883. 15 pp.
- 2 Correspondence. 1871-1927. Miscellaneous correspondence and letter fragments. Includes letter from Vandalia Hogan relating details of her sisters illness and death from breast cancer (8 October 1871), and Seavey's lengthy letter to the *Seattle Post Intelligencer*, detailing the derelict Japanese fishing vessel *Rio Gil Mano* [?](5 November 1927).
- 3 Medical accounts. February 1883-October 1884. Includes payments and some diagnoses.
- 4 Record of Examinations, Board of U.S. Examining Surgeons, Bureau of Pensions, at Port Townsend, 1898-1924. Detailed case notes on each veteran examined.