Men Behind the Women at Woman’s Medical School

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William Heath Byford, MD
(1817-1890)
Chicago’s ardent champion of medical education for women
Founder, Chicago Medical College, 1859
Founder, Woman’s Hospital Medical College, 1870
President of the Faculty, 1870-1890
Organizer, American Gynecological Society, 1876 & Chicago Gynecological Society, 1878

William Godfrey Dyas, MD, FRCSI
(1807-1895)
Professor of the Theory and Practice of Medicine
Member, Board of Trustees
Founder, Chicago Hospital for Women and Children, 1865

Isaac Newton Danforth, MD
(1835-1911)
Professor, Principles and Practice of Medicine and Clinical Medicine
Dean, 1893-1899
Founder, Wesley Hospital, 1888

Charles Warrington Earle, MD
(1845-1893)
MD Northwestern University Medical School, 1870
Founder, College of Physicians and Surgeons, 1881
Successively: Professor of Physiology, Obstetrics, Practice of Medicine at the Woman’s School, 1871-1893
President of the Faculty, 1891-1893

Henry Truman Byford, MD
(1853-1938)
MD Northwestern University Medical School, 1873
President of the medical staff, Woman’s Hospital, 1890-1908
Professor, Clinical Gynecology, 1895-1900
Son of William Heath Byford

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