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How to Read an Entry

Names are in alphabetical order. The entry provides all of the information that is available from the 4" x 6" card from which the entry was taken. The following is a copy of the entry for Robert Abbe which is found on *Directory* page 1:

Abbe, Robert 3/7/28 (M); [2] New York, NY; [3] 1851; [4] New York, NY; [5] Allopath; [6] GS General Surgery; [8] ME, NY, 1874; [9] New York, NY, 1874; [10] Women's Hosp., St. Luke's Hosp., Babies' Hosp., Roosevelt Hosp., New York Cancer Hosp., Hosp. for Ruptured and Crippled; [11] Columbia University of Physicians and Surgeons, New York, 1874, (G); [12] Coll. of City of NY, 1870; [13] Woman's Medical College of New York Infirmary for Women and Children, New York, 1880, surgery; [14] 90:1139; [16] Paget's disease; (M).

The data fields are as follows:

- [1] Practitioner's name followed by date of death (M indicates male, F indicates female and maiden name will be in parentheses) (Mb or Fb indicates that the practitioner is an African-American male or female). In some cases, the cards do not contain complete information about the practitioner's exact date of death. In these cases, we make some assumptions and have applied a statistical average to determine the practitioner's date of death. This assumption is shown in the directory by listing the death date as 12/31/29a.
- [2] place of demise;
- [3] date of birth;
- [4] place of birth;
- [5] type of practice;
- [6] practice specialties;
- [7] board specialties;
- [8] states and years of licenses;
- [9] places and dates of practices;
- [10] hospital affiliations;
- [11] medical schools, etc., and G indicates graduate;
- [12] other education;
- [13] professorship;
- [14] JAMA citation for obituary notice. The first number references the JAMA volume number and the second is the page number in the cited volume;
- [15] licensure action;
- [16] cause of demise; and
- [17] death notice information. An (M) at the end of the listing indicates that the practitioner was an AMA member.

For the reader's convenience, access to entries that may be of special interest to readers is provided through the use of five special indexes. The number in parentheses is the total number of names listed by the index. The indexes are as follows:

- 1. Index of African-American Female Practitioners (39);
- 2. Index of African-American Male Practitioners (812);
- 3. Index of Female Practitioners (5,324);
- 4. Index of Self-Designated Eclectic Practitioners (5,715);
- 5. Index of Self-Designated Homeopathic Practitioners (7,625); and
- 6. Index of Self-Designated Osteopathic Practitioners (89).

To save the reader time counting, there are 149,056 names listed in this publication. The alphabetic letter name distribution is as follows: A (4,338); B (15,227); C (11,892); D (6,867); E (3,010); F (5,585); G (7,282); H (12,979); I (571); J (3,675); K (4,719); L (6,617); M (14,881); N (2,416); O (1,786); P (7,008); Q (211); R (6,903); S (14,325); T (5,176); U (300); V (1,745); W (10,430); X (7); Y (759); and Z (346).