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**HERTFORDSHIRE RECORD OFFICE**

**D/ELi**

Prescription and recipe books of George Lines & Co., chemists of Hertford, c. late 18th/early 19th century - 1987, presented to the Record Office in November 1987 by Mr P Sheffield

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GEORGE LINES & COMPANY

[George Lines and Company, chemists, of Market Place, Hertford, is said to have been established as a business in 1798 (according to an advertisement in Simon's *Directory of Hertford* of 1930-31). Since the first George Lines known to have practised as a chemist in Hertford was born in Buckinghamshire in c1815 and apparently did not arrive at Hertford until about 1841, however, it may be that George Lines took over an existing chemist's business in Hertford possibly that of Joseph Mays who operated as a chemist in Market Place, Hertford, from at least the early nineteenth century until about 1840. The company ceased to trade in Hertford in 1987]

Prescription Books

[These give the names of individuals and details of the prescriptions prepared for them (or occasionally for their animals). The entries in D/ELi/B1-B5 are in no discernable order]

D/ELi/B1	Prescription Book "C" [Indexed]	1 vol	c1817 - 1847
D/ELi/B2	Prescription Book [Indexed]	1 vol	c1838 - 1859
D/ELi/B3	Prescription Book "D" [Indexed. At the back of the book is a list of infirmary outpatients, 1864 - 1875]	1 vol	c1852 - 1875
D/ELi/B4	Prescription Book "B" [Indexed. At the back of the book is a list of infirmary outpatients, 1875 - 1879]	1 vol	c1865 - 1879
D/ELi/B5	Prescription Book [Indexed]	1 vol	c1874 - 1889
	[Entries in D/ELi/B6 - B15 are in chronological order]		
D/ELi/B6	Prescription Book [Indexed. ACCESS RESTRICTED UNTIL 1996]	1 vol	Mar 1889-Dec 1895
D/ELi/B7	Prescription Book [Indexed. ACCESS RESTRICTED UNTIL 2004]	1 vol	Dec 1895-May 1903

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D/ELi/B8	Prescription Book "J" [Indexed. ACCESS RESTRICTED UNTIL 2012]	1 vol	May 1903-Jan 1911
D/ELi/B9	Prescription Book "K" [Indexed. ACCESS RESTRICTED UNTIL 2017]	1 vol	Jan 1911-Dec 1916
D/ELi/B10	Prescription Book "L" [Indexed. ACCESS RESTRICTED UNTIL 2021]	1 vol	Dec 1916-Jun 1920
D/ELi/B11	Prescription Book "M" [Partially indexed. ACCESS RESTRICTED UNTIL 2023]	1 vol	Jun 1920-Nov 1922
D/ELi/B12	Prescription Book "O" [Indexed. ACCESS RESTRICTED UNTIL 2030]	1 vol	Nov 1925-Dec 1929
D/ELi/B13	Prescription Book "P" [Indexed. ACCESS RESTRICTED UNTIL 2040]	1 vol	Jan 1930-Oct 1939
D/ELi/B14	Prescription Book "Q" [Indexed. ACCESS RESTRICTED UNTIL 2048]	1 vol	Nov 1939-Jul 1947
D/ELi/B15	Prescription Book "R" [Indexed. ACCESS RESTRICTED UNTIL 2088]	1 vol	Jul 1947-Feb 1987
	[Entries in D/ELi/B16-B18 are in prescription number order]		
D/ELi/B16	Prescription Book: prescription numbers P29827-30874 [Indexed. ACCESS RESTRICTED UNTIL 2020]	1 vol	nd [early 20th cent]
D/ELi/B17	Prescription Book: prescription numbers P4071- 6312 and 86807-87136 [Indexed. ACCESS RESTRICTED UNTIL 2036]	1 vol	Jun 1930-May 1935

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D/ELi/B18	Prescription book: prescription numbers P9306- P11161. [ACCESS RESTRICTED UNTIL 2065]	Jan 1944-cNov 1964  1 vol
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Recipe Books

[These contain recipes for medical prescriptions and also for toiletries such as toothpaste and scent, and other products such as furniture polish and ink]

D/ELi/B19	Recipe Book [Includes names of persons or publications from whom or which the recipes were obtained]	1 vol  nd [late 18th/early 19th cent]
D/ELi/B20	Recipe Book [Indexed. Includes a recipe for "Sauce Hertford" on page 73]	1 vol  nd [mid 19th cent]
D/ELi/B21	Recipe Book [Indexed]	1 vol  nd [mid 19th cent]
D/ELi/B22	Recipe Book [Indexed]	1 vol  nd [mid-late 19th cent]
D/ELi/B23	Recipe Book [Indexed]	1 vol  nd [late 19th/early 20th cent]