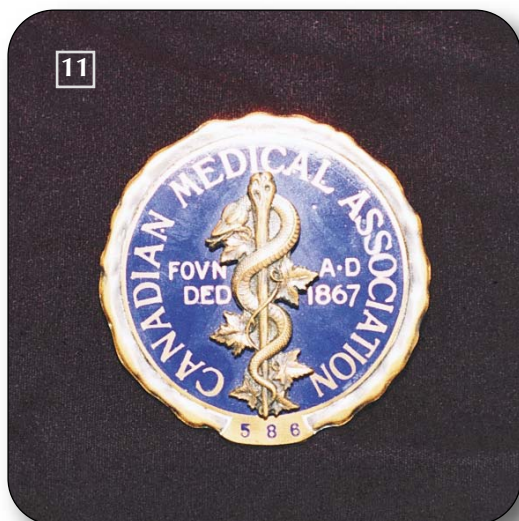
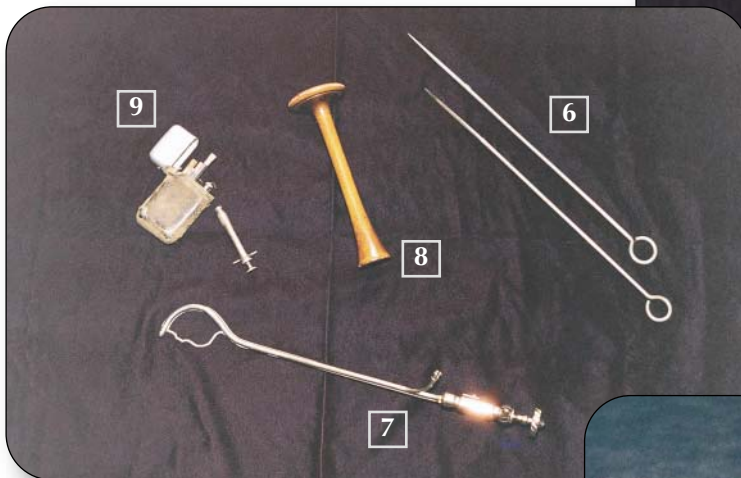
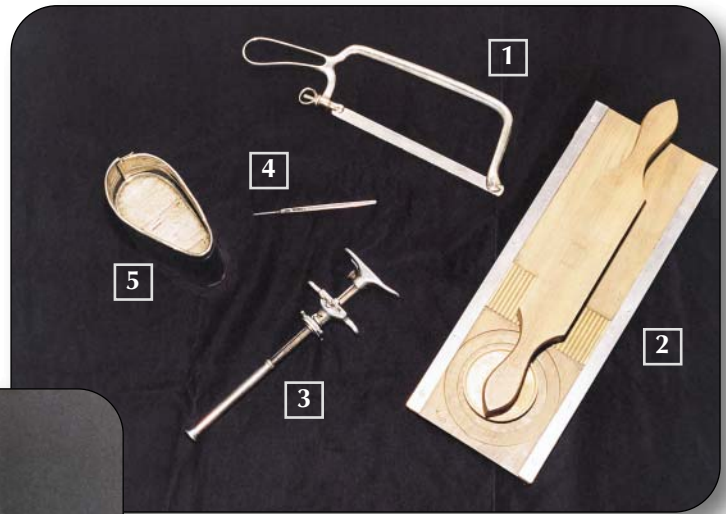


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What the heck . . . ?

Shish-kebab skewers? A Zippo? A mouse's bedpan? Go ahead — try and guess what medical artifacts I dug up during a search of the archives at the CMA and the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada. If the stress becomes too great, see the answers on the next page.



1. Early 18th-century metal-frame bone saw
2. Wooden pill-rolling plate
3. **24-cm-long thoroscope, part of a set of 3 instruments used in thoracic surgery**
4. Cataract knife
5. **Antiseptic ether inhaler**
6. 34-cm-long Wyeth pins, used during amputations involving the thigh to hold tourniquets in place
7. **Luys' Urine Segregator was designed by Dr. Georges Luys of Paris in 1904. Urine or bladder segregators were designed to partition the bladder, thereby allowing collection of urine from each ureter. This instrument was originally owned by Dr. Neil John Maclean, a pioneer surgeon in Winnipeg.**
8. Wooden, monaural stethoscope owned by Dr. A.A. Browne, a leading obstetrician in Montreal in the 1870s
9. Hypodermic injection case, aluminum with leather jacket, containing a syringe, needles and vials for tablets
10. A medicine chest, likely used by a physician to make house calls in the 19th century. This particularly handsome chest is made of mahogany and contains 16 bottles of drugs, plus 2 drawers containing scales, pills, medical-advice sheets and whatnot. It also has a secret compartment in the back, which we were unable to open.
11. **Motor motif, circa 1924, donated by Dr. A.D. Kelly, former secretary general at the CMA. These bronze motifs typically adorned the grilles of cars owned by CMA members, who purchased them from the association for a mere \$2.50. The serial number on each was duly kept by the secretary general. About 600 were purchased before the practice ended with the advent of the Great Depression.**

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