

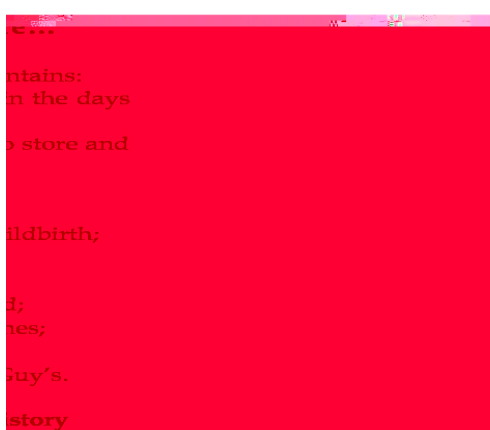
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Surviving 19th century operating theatre

This museum, one of London's most intriguing historical interiors, contains the Operating Theatre, which was used between 1821 and 1862 before anaesthetic and antiseptic surgery; and the Herb Garret, used by the apothecary of St Thomas's Hospital to cure herbs for medicines.

Museum collection

- Instruments for surgery, cupping, bleeding, trepanning and dissection;
- Devices used in the early days of anaesthesia and antiseptics;
- A skeleton, and pathological specimens;
- An extensive and aromatic display of dried herbs, fully labelled;
- Equipment for preparing pills and cachets, and storing medicines;
- A display on Florence Nightingale and the history of nursing;
- History of the Evelina Childrens' hospital, first established at 1783.

We offer a visit in a unique setting that emphasises medical history through the senses of sight and smell, and presents visitors with a