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Dr. William Gardner Taylor graduated from Hahnemann Medical College on March 9, 1870 (Medical Register 1). Dr. Taylor was born in Darby Pennsylvania, and entered Hahneman in 1868. His senior thesis, Variola (smallpox), is one of the few theses of Columbia’s Hahnemann graduates which survives (Taylor, Wm G.). The cover is depicted on the following page. After graduation, he moved to Marietta where he remained until his death. Like other local physicians, he registered with the prothonotary on July 15, 1881. Dr. Taylor was actively involved in local politics serving on the local school board and as the elected prothonotary of Lancaster County Courts. He held both positions at the time of his death on March 4, 1904 (The Death Roll).

Dr. William Taylor was active in education in Columbia and served on the school board continuously from 1884 to 1904. “Dr. Taylor’s School” building located on Walnut Street between 9th and 10th Streets was opened in 1905. This photo shows the building surrounded by students.

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