



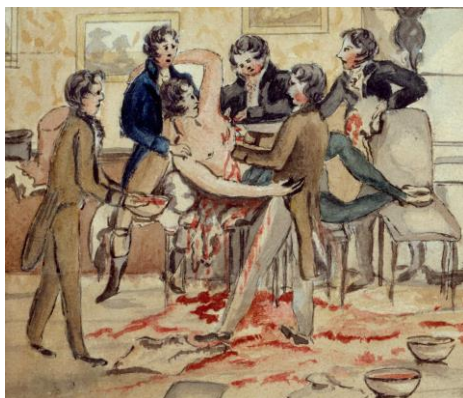
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'SURGERY AND EMOTION BEFORE ANAESTHESIA'

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KEATS LECTURE

6pm, Thursday, 23 April 2020

Apothecaries Hall, Black Friar's Lane, London EC4V 6EJ

Michael Brown is an expert on the history of medicine and surgery in nineteenth-century Britain. He is the author of *Performing Medicine: Medical Culture and Identity in Provincial England, c.1760-1850* (2011) as well as a forthcoming book on the history of surgery and emotion.

The period prior to the introduction of anaesthesia in the 1840s is often characterised as a dark age of surgery, replete with blood and suffering and presided over by practitioners whose dispassion bordered on cruelty. This lecture seeks to challenge these stereotypes and show that pre-anaesthetic surgery was, in fact, an emotionally rich and complex affair. Surgeons of the period, far from adopting a position of detachment, shaped identities as men of feeling, while emotional sensitivity was an essential tool of clinical decision-making and therapeutic management.

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