The Mayos as Masons

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William Worrall Mayo, founder of the Mayo Clinic, became a Master Mason on July 19, 1859. He joined the Masonic Community becoming a member in Rochester Lodge No 21. In 1901 William donated to the local Masonic Temple Association to help erect a New Masonic Lodge. Charles Mayo was always very active in the Fraternity and also member of Halcyon Chapter No 8, Royal Arch Masons and a member of Home Commandery No 5 Knights Templar. He was a member of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite and received his 33 degree in 1935.