
For more than 3000 years men had struggled to find relief from pain in surgery. No one person made the discovery of anesthesia. The honor of having a part in advancing the knowledge of anesthesia is great enough to be shared by all. Morton proved by his demonstration at the Massachusetts General Hospital the possibilities of ether anesthesia. Building on the foundation laid by others Morton brought to fulfillment the dream of centuries. In paying tribute to Morton's memory credit must also be given to others who searched for means of relieving pain.

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