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Dr. Stanford Emerson Chaillé, front, dean of the Tulane School of Medicine, sits in his office, circa 1900. Known as the “Father of Hygiene and Health Education” in America, Chaillé was dean from 1885 until 1908. He was an outspoken proponent for the the establishment of community sewerage and drainage systems, street paving, pure water supplies and mosquito control. He was also instrumental in the establishment of the National Board of Health, forerunner of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare.