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Summary information

Repository:	Charlotte County Archives
Title:	Chipman Hill Memorial Hospital Alumnae fonds
Reference code:	MC627
Date:	1923-1999 (date of creation)
Language:	English
Physical description:	20 cm of textual records
Note [generalNote]:	Accession No. 2004.028

Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

The second wife of Sir Leonard Tilley was Alice Starr Chipman, daughter of Zachariah Chipman, a prominent shipowner and merchant of St Stephen, NB. When her father died, she wrote to her brother and two sisters, who were co-heirs in his property, and out-lined her plan to use the old homestead as a hospital, and they agreed.

At the time, there were not sufficient facilities in Charlotte County to care for the sick. Those who were ill had to go away for hospital treatment in Saint John. Lady Tilley believed that adequate medical care ought to be obtained closer at hand, and what more fitting memorial to her parents' memory than a hospital in the home where they had lived long, useful lives. So 'Cedars' became known as the Chipman Memorial Hospital. However, there was much to be done before the hospital could be properly outfitted and rendered self-supporting. In 1902, after Lady Tilley solicited support from other members of the community, the hospital was equipped with twenty beds and was ready to take in patients. Annual grants from the county and the endowment of beds from various sources helped with the upkeep and maintenance. As the number of patients increased new wings were added to the building. The first one was erected in memory of one of Lady Tilly's sisters by the latter's husband, Mr Owen Jones. Another wing was built but soon cots were placed in corridors. Eventually Charlotte County Hospital was built to replace the Chipman Memorial Hospital.

Custodial history

Donated to the archives by Douglas Dougherty 13 November 2003

Scope and content

This fonds contains 12 Minute books for the years from 1923 - 1999 It also contains the Constitution for the Charlotte County hospital Student Nurses Association, and part documentation for Miss B Ponder from Boiestown who attended the training school and graduated 27 Nov 1906.

Notes

Title notes

- **Source of title proper:** Title is named after creator of fonds

Physical condition

Good to fair

Immediate source of acquisition

Donated by Douglas Dougherty

Location of originals

Charlotte County Archives

Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published
 - **Physical description:** Part of the documentation for Miss Ponder is of such poor condition and not complete, that it is uncertain if she was a graduate of the Chipman Memorial Hospital
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Access points

- Chipman Hill Memorial Hospital
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Collection holdings
