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Descriptive Summary

Unit ID

2005.Aug.16

Unit ID

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Unit Date

1894-1895

Mixed Materials

1 (box)

Language

English

Creator

McGuire, Hunter, 1835-1900

Creator

St. Luke's Home for the Sick (Richmond, Va.)

Extent

0.4 Linear Feet

Repository

VCU Health Sciences Library

Administrative Information

Access Restrictions

No restrictions on access.

Use Restrictions

No restrictions on use.

Acquisition Information

Donated by Hunter H. McGuire, Jr.

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Biographical / Historical

Dr. Hunter Holmes McGuire established the St. Luke's Home for the Sick as a private surgical hospital in 1882. The original hospital, located at Governor and Ross Streets, could accommodate as many as 48 patients. Surgery was performed in patient rooms on a portable table. McGuire's skill and reputation as a surgeon attracted many patients to the fledgling hospital including some from outside Virginia. Four years after it opened, McGuire organized a training school for nurses, the first of its kind in Virginia. The hospital outgrew its converted home and moved to the corner of Grace and Harrison Streets by 1899. For more than forty years it was administered by the McGuire family. Extendicare, later Humana, Inc., purchased St. Luke's Hospital in 1971 ending almost ninety years of private control of this Richmond medical institution.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains a case book for the years 1894-1895. Dr. McGuire wrote the case studies, and they reveal an insight on his personality and medical skill.

Keywords

General Surgery -- History -- Virginia.

Hospitals -- History -- Virginia

History, 19th Century -- Virginia.

Surgery -- History -- 19th century -- Virginia -- Richmond

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Arrangement

There is only one item in the collection.

Description of Subordinate Components

St. Luke's Hospital Collection

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/5169

Unit Date 1894-1895

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Scope and Contents

This collection contains a hospital casebook. Each entry consists of patient information and diagnosis with some personal commentary.

Photocopied articles

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/5170

Unit Date 1995

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder contains photocopies of a newspaper and journal article that highlight the collection and what's in it.