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Historical Sketch:

The College of Nursing had its origin in 1883 when the City Council of Charleston approved a request by the Roper Hospital (then also known as City Hospital) for \$2,000 to establish a "Training School for Nurses." The City Hospital Training School for Nurses was closed after the earthquake of 1886 destroyed Roper Hospital.

In 1895 the program was reestablished as the "The Charleston Training School." Physicians on the faculty of the Medical College of the State of South Carolina instructed students in anatomy, physiology, obstetrics, surgery and medical nursing. In 1916, the Board of Commissioners of the Roper Hospital proposed the transfer of the training school to the Medical College of the State of South Carolina, whose school of medicine had been established in Charleston in 1824 and whose faculty was already providing most of the nursing instruction. The proposal was accepted by both the hospital and the Medical College, and in 1919 the Roper Hospital Training School for Nurses became the School of Nursing of the Medical College of the State of South Carolina. In 1969 when the Medical College was designated the Medical University of South Carolina, the School of Nursing became the College of Nursing.

T. Grange Simons M.D served on the board and from 1905 to 1907 recorded the minutes of the South Carolina Training School for Nurses. Simons was born in Charleston on May 10, 1843. Simons was a Civil War veteran, Yellow Fever activist and very active in The Training School For Nurses from the time it opened. Simons died in Charleston at the age of 85 on November 30, 1927.

Scope and Content Note:

The Minutes of the South Carolina Training School for Nurses, 1905-1907, discusses the nomination of new board members, the possible creation of a "Home for Training Nurses" and other routine building and administrative matters. T. Grange Simons M.D recorded all of the minutes taken in this period.

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Subject Headings:

Simons, Thomas Grange

South Carolina Training School for Nurses (Charleston, S.C.)

Charleston Training School (Charleston, S.C.)

Home for Training Nurses (Charleston, S.C.)

Roper Hospital (Charleston, S.C.)

Nursing Education

Medical College of South Carolina.

Medical College of the State of South Carolina.

Medical College of the State of South Carolina. School of Nursing.

Medical University of South Carolina.