



COLLECTION NAME           City Hospital (Charleston, S. C.) Minute Book  
COLLECTION NUMBER       MSS 994  
VOLUME                     1 volume; 0.125 cubic feet  
DATES                        circa 1900-1905  
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RESTRICTIONS             None

#### DESCRIPTION

The first City Hospital in Charleston, South Carolina, was built in 1736 and recognized as the “Work House and Hospital for the reception of the poor.” Then in 1768, The Poor House and Hospital facility was created to assist the increasing impoverished population. In the 1860s, the Work House, the Poor House, and the Marine Hospital were all known as the City Hospital of Charleston. In 1880, the City Council appointed a Board of Commissioners to resolve the deteriorating hospital conditions. They decided to build a new facility and on May 28, 1888 the Memorial Hospital was completed. By the turn of the century, the new hospital was failing and in need of renovations. It was demolished in 1905 and the patients were moved to Thomson Auditorium. The hospital reopened in 1906 as Roper Hospital.

#### SCOPE AND CONTENT

The City Hospital (Charleston, S.C.) Minute Book records minutes of the Board of Commissioners of the Charleston City Hospital meetings from November 1900 to December 1905. The records include financial statements, correspondence, and hospital maintenance. In particular, the records include information regarding the employee dissatisfaction at the hospital, the resignation of nurses and doctors including Leila Jones, the Superintendent of the Nursing Department and deteriorating hospital facilities and equipment.

CITATION FORM: City Hospital (Charleston, S. C.) Minute Book, MSS 994, Waring Historical Library, MUSC, Charleston, SC.

#### NOTE

Charleston County Public Library also has records of the Commissioners of the City Hospital, 1879-1907.

#### SUBJECT HEADINGS

Education, Nursing South Carolina.  
Hospital Administration-South Carolina

Medical Society of South Carolina

Hospitals history South Carolina

Jones, Leila.

Schools, Nursing—history—South Carolina.

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

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## INVENTORY

Volume 1      Minute Book of City Hospital, 1900-1905