

Health and Medicine – Subject & Select Document List, Series C & M

Nova Scotia. Court of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace (Shelburne County) Records: 1784 –1880

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Series C, “Charities and the Poor, Health Matters,” found on UNB Reel 3

Series & Numbers	Summarized Contents	Subject & Select Documents
C. 1 - C. 264	Overseers of the Poor, Accounts, 1785-1862	<p>List of food and supplies from individual Overseers of Poor or individual cases (including names); petitions for payment; accounts listing details of money spent and bills (including payments to doctors and for a “blind woman”); account of the Keeper of the Poor House; examination of accounts; oaths of Overseers; taxed paid to Overseers</p> <p>C. 1 – Money to bury child C. 3 - Nursing C. 4 - Dr. Gold’s account of medicines delivered for the relief of the Poor, 4 April, 1786. C. 20 - Account of John Perry Surgeon for medicine and attendance of the sick by order of the Overseers of the Poor, 31 March, 1777 C. 34 - Details of “Expenses incurred by Moses Doutey having small Pox.” C. 43-45 - Includes discussion of Joseph Prescott, Surgeon and Physician to the Poor C. 158 – Small pox (orders to prevent) C. 159 – Expenditures C. 203 – Supplying paupers (names and allowance)</p>
C. 265 – C. 273	Overseers of the Poor Petitions, Shelburne, 1791-1895	<p>Petitions requesting compensation from Overseers, widows, debt, insanity, assessments of need, support of elderly parents and grandparents, infirmity, poor rates</p> <p>C. 266 - Refers to case of frost bite C. 269 – Mental illness (warrant to seize “deranged person”)</p>
C. 274 – C. 286	Overseers of the Poor Petitions, Barrington, 1824-1849	<p>Petitions requesting compensation from Overseers, widows, debt, insanity, assessments of need, support of elderly parents and grandparents, infirmity, poor rates</p>
C. 287 – C. 292	Overseers of the Poor Convictions, 1807	<p>Statements and summons; documents concerning neglect of duty by Overseers of the Poor</p>

		C. 285 – Maintenance – widows, elderly, disabled (orders to make sure people are taken care of)
C. 293 – C. 302	Child Maintenance, 1806-1845	Oaths by mothers regarding the fathers of their children, information on illegitimate children, bonds for support of illegitimate children or to appear in court C. 297 – Illegitimate children (noted by doctor after delivering a baby)
C. 303 – C. 306	Indenture of Poor Children, 1784 - 1785	Three indenture documents for children
C. 307 – C. 310	House of Correction Returns, 1786	Proposal of Hugh Walch regarding his appointment as Master of the Workhouse, including work and punishments (whipping, use of fetters and shackles) of inmates; returns of inmates and information regarding their time in the Workhouse
C. 311 – C. 321	Heath and Disease, 1791- 1850	Subjects: epidemics, yellow fever, cholera, smallpox, spread of disease, disease management, quarantine, inoculation C. 311 - Account of John Ackerman on the schooner <i>Swallow</i> from New York. Tells of the death of Captain Perry and his (Ackerman's) efforts to clean his cabin by smoking it with brimstone and tar, 23 September, 1798. C. 312 - Doctor John Hoose's report of the schooner <i>Swallow</i> – John Ackerman, master, late from New York, and the state of the crew, if diseased, 29 October, 1798; <i>Swallow</i> released from her embargo and permitted to unload. C. 313 - Requisitions to Doctor Joseph Prescott to go on board the Brigantine, <i>Neptune</i> ; Bergh, master, from New York, to examine vessel, 9 September 1803, signed by Gideon White and J.V. Buskirk, Justices of the Peace- they had been informed that yellow fever or some "other infectious distemper has raged." C. 314 - Report of J. Prescott, Practicing Physician and Surgeon, upon examination of the brigantine, <i>Neptune</i> , just arrived from New York, 9 September, 1803. Found people aboard in perfect health and to have had no intercourse with the diseased of New York.

	<p>C. 315 - Provincial Secretary's letter to the Clerk of the Peace respecting quarantine regulations, 1831.</p> <p>C. 316 - Special Sessions of the Peace held at the house of Gideon White, 4 July, 1832 for the "purpose of carrying into force and effect the Proclamation of his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to provide against the introduction and spreading of infectious disease and for the performance of quarantine."</p> <p>C. 317 - Rough minutes of a special Sessions of the Peace, 30 August, 1834 for carrying into effect the Act of the Province to prevent the spreading of infectious or contagious disease, particularly cholera in Halifax. Thomas Crowell, Cornelius White and Joshua Snow, Justices of the Peace, present. Robert MacIntosh, George H. Deinstadt and Thomas Johnson appointed health wardens for Shelburne. Enos Churchill Jr. and William Stalker appointed health wardens for the District of Ragged Islands.</p> <p>C. 318 - Special Sessions of the Peace held 28 June, 1837 regarding quarantine and infectious diseases. Refers to the brig <i>Hannah</i>, from Plymouth, Massachusetts, master Jesse Cochoon of the fifteen men aboard seven have smallpox and one has died at sea; Quarantine Acts to be put into full force; Quarantine Grounds in Harbour; any dead to be buried at Hart's Point.</p> <p>C. 319 - Rough minutes of the appointment of I.G. Enslow, Secretary to the Board of Health for the County of Shelburne and the regulations for quarantine; Health Officers: Thomas Crowell, Joshua Snow, Alexander James; Joffre [?] McRea Master of schooner <i>Fair Maid</i> of Lunenburg made an oath that there was cholera in Halifax; all ships and land travelers must report to Health Officers upon arrival, 30 August, 1834.</p> <p>C. 320 - List of accounts submitted by these people and allowances there by the Board of Health, Barrington, 15 August, 1850.</p> <p>C. 321 - Circular letter to surgeons regarding stopping the process of inoculation, 1 April, 1791. Signed by Dr. William Burns, Dr. John Perry, and Dr.</p>
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	John House: Doctors felt that inoculation of children was ineffective after a certain period.
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Series M, "Miscellaneous Items," UNB Reel 5 & 6

File #	Series & Numbers	Subject & Documents
11	M. 55-60	<p><i>Lists of medicines, spices, and essences ordered (1825-1829)</i></p> <p>M. 55 – Patent medicines for sale from William Macara to Isaac Enslow, includes letter with directions and details, Halifax, 17 September, 1825</p> <p>M. 56 – from "McArra" to Mr. Enslow, list of products sent and cost, e.g.: "Black Hellebore Root," "Roll Liquorice," "Essence Peppermint," "Magnesia," Bottle of Castor Oil," "Gum Myrrh;" Halifax, 28 December, 1825</p> <p>M. 57 – account, to Isaac Enslow from William Macara, prices and dates of shipments, Halifax, 2 April, 1827</p> <p>M. 58—list of items "Bought of Samuel Head, Surgeon and Druggist" to I. Enslow, includes prices, Halifax, 24, May 1827</p> <p>M. 59— account of what Isaac Enslow bought from Samuel Head, e.g.: "blistering plaster," "gum arabic," "beeswax," "sulphur," "glass of antimony," includes letter from Samuel Head with details and instructions, Halifax, 26 December, 1829</p> <p>M. 60—"Account of Sundries Medicines" from E.P. Taylor; two page list with amounts</p>

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