

# Guide to the Hugh Payne Greeley Papers

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**CALL NUMBER:** MS 1472

**CREATOR:** Greeley, Hugh Payne, 1884-

**TITLE:** Hugh Payne Greeley papers

**DATES:** 1910-1920

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 0.25 linear feet (1 box)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** The papers consist of correspondence, printed matter, newspaper clippings, financial records, and writings, which document Hugh Payne Greeley's attempt to establish a medical practice and hospital in the remote fishing community of Pilley's Island, Newfoundland.

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b.      box  
f.      folder

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Will M. Greeley, 1987

## Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

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## Scope and Contents

In 1911 Hugh Payne Greeley, a recent graduate of the Harvard Medical School, began a term as a physician in the isolated fishing community of Pilley's Island, Newfoundland. The Greeley papers, consisting of correspondence, financial records, writings and memorabilia, document Hugh P. Greeley's years at Pilley's Island (1911-1912). Greeley's published account of his work, *Work and Play in the Grenfell Mission*, ca. 1920, provides a fuller account of his service.

Will M. Greeley donated the papers to the Yale University Library in 1987.

Correspondence comprises the bulk of the papers and concerns negotiations over the establishment of a hospital, the aid provided by Wilfred T. Grenfell and the government of Canada, and the lack of financial support which led to patients describing their ailments and the success of the prescribed treatments. Included among the writings in the papers are Greeley's reports on his work and an extract of the journal he kept. In addition the papers contain printed material and clippings concerning Greeley's work and financial records of payments for services.

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## Arrangement

Arranged by record type.

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## Collection Contents

b. 1, f. 1 - 2	Correspondence	1910-20, undated
b. 1, f. 3	Financial records	[1911-1912]
b. 1, f. 4	Memorabilia	undated
b. 1, f. 5	Patients' letters	1911-1912
b. 1, f. 6	Printed material and clippings	1911-1920, undated
b. 1, f. 7	Writings	1912, undated

## **Selected Search Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### **Subjects**

Medicine  
Physicians

### **Geographic Names**

Newfoundland and Labrador  
Pilley's Island (Newfoundland)

### **Names**

Greeley, Hugh Payne, 1884-  
Grenfell, Wilfred Thomason, Sir, 1865-1940