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**Acacia Villa School collection  
(Horton Landings, Kings Co., NS)**

**Records from the  
Mortimer Villiers Marshall collection**

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**Acacia Villa School (Horton Landing, Kings Co., NS) collection. – [textual records]. – 1883-1965. – 27 cm of textual records. - Forms part of the Mortimer Villiers Marshall collection**

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**1. Correspondence. – 1883-1963. – 1.5cm of textual records**

Series consists of correspondence. The items pertain to issues within the Acacia Villa School and to the publication of Mr. Marshall's history of the school

**Note:**

Supplied title based on contents of series

File list included

**File List**

**1/1 [Correspondence from A. McNaughtan Patterson to Thomas Outhit, Esq.](#) – 1883-1884. – 3 items of textual records**

Items are letters between Patterson, the Headmaster at Acacia Villa School, and Thomas Outhit in connection with the conduct of Frank Outhit, a student at the school.

**Note:** Title taken from original folder

**1/2 Acacia Villa School – [Correspondence.](#) – 1963. – 7 leaves of textual records**

File consists of correspondence that contains some remembrances and vignettes which were sent to Marshall by former students for inclusion in his Acacia Villa history.

**Note:** Title taken from original folder

**2. Acacia Villa Programs. – 1909-1910. – 3 leaves of textual records**

Series contains three programs for events held at the Acacia Villa School

**Note:**

Supplied title based on contents of series

File list included

**File List**

**2/1 [Elocution recital.](#) – 4 November 1909. – 1 leaf of textual records**

Item is a program for the Elocution Recital held at the Acacia Villa Hall on 4 November 1909.

**Note:** Title transcribed for item

**2/2 [St. Patrick's Day concert.](#) – 17 March 1910. – 1 leaf of textual records**

Item is a program for a concert given in the Acacia Villa Hall on 17 March 1910.

**Note:** Item is torn into two pieces

**Note:** Supplied title based on content of item

**2/3 [Program for closing exercises.](#) – 26 May 1910. – 1 leaf of textual records**

Item is a program for the Acacia Villa School closing exercises held 26 May 1910. The back of the program is signed by Wesley G. Graves.

**Note:** Supplied title based on content of item

**3. Calendar. – 1911. – 1 volume of textual records**

Series contains one calendar for the Acacia Villa School

**Note:**

Printed by J. J. Anslow and Company, Windsor, NS.

Upper right corner of cover inscribed: "Graves".

Supplied title based on contents of series

File list included

**File List**

**3/1 Item is the [Calendar](#) of the Acacia Villa School for the 1911/12 school year.** Calendar consists of photographs of the school's founder and the current Head Master; general information; courses of study; textbooks; expenses; prizes; rules and regulations.

**4. Acacia Villa Gazette. – December 1903. – 1 volume of textual records**

Series contains one volume of the Acacia Villa Gazette

**Note:**

Supplied title based on contents of series

File list included

**File List**

**4/1 File contains the [Acacia Villa Gazette Christmas Number](#), December 1903.** The paper includes a short history of the Acacia Villa School; photo of the school grounds; teacher profiles; and articles written by current or past pupils.

**5. Loose leaf of names re: photographs. – [19-?]. – 6 leaves of textual records**

Series contains photograph identification keys

**Note:**

Supplied title based on contents of series

File list included

**File List**

**5/1 File contains [identification keys](#) to some of the Acacia Villa School photographs held in series six.**

**6. Acacia Villa School photographs. – 1894-1965. – 26 photographs : sepia toned, color, and b&w : 35.5 x 27.5 cm or smaller**

Series consists of photographs that document Acacia Villa School, its teachers, students, and activities. The photographs appear to have been collected by Dr. Mortimer Marshall from various undocumented sources while he researched the history of the school

**Note:**

Supplied title based on contents of series

File list included

**File List**

**6/1 [Acacia Villa School students and staff](#). – 1894. – 1 photograph : sepia toned ; 21 x 13.5 mounted on cardboard mat 34.5 x 27.5 cm**

Item is a photograph of the students and staff of the Acacia Villa School taken inside of one of the school buildings.

**Note:** Inscribed on cardboard mat: "Acacia Villa School, Horton Landing. Jan 10, 1894 Fred A. Wallace."

**Note:** Photographer not determined

**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image.

**6/2 [Acacia Villa School students.](#) – 1896. - 1 photograph : sepia toned ; 23.5 x 18 cm mounted on cardboard 35 x 27.5 cm**

Item is a photograph of the Acacia Villa School students, taken in front of one of the school buildings.

**Note:** Cardboard mat, verso, reads: "Gift of Vernon Gould."

**Note:** Photographer not determined

**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image.

**6/3 [Acacia Villa School football team.](#) – 1897. – 1 photograph : sepia toned ; 20.5 x 15 cm mounted on cardboard 30 x 24.5 cm**

Item is a photograph of the Acacia Villa school football team. Front row second from left is Clifford Kelley.

**Note:** Cardboard mat, verso, reads: "Gift of Clifford Kelley."

**Note:** Photograph taken by A. L. Hardy.

**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image.

**6/4 [Acacia Villa School students and staff.](#)– 1897. – 2 photographs : sepia toned ; 24. 5 x 18.5 cm mounted on cardboard 34.5 x 29.5 cm and 24.5 x 19 cm mounted on cardboard 36 x 29.5 cm**

Items are two copies of a photograph of the students and staff of the Acacia Villa School.

**Note:** Photograph by A. L. Hardy.

**Note:** Items are oversized and therefore located in map folder **Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image.

**6/5 [Acacia Villa School room mates of room no. 8.](#) – 1898. – 1 photograph : sepia toned ; 11.5 x 9 cm mounted on cardboard 16 x 13.5 cm**

Item is a photograph of four men who were roommates at the Acacia Villa School. Front of picture is labelled with the names of the individuals: Neakston, Verge, Nichols, and Newcombe.

**Note:** Photographer is not determined

**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image.

**6/6 [Acacia Villa School students and staff.](#) – ca. 1900. – 1 photograph : sepia toned ; 24.5 x 18.5 cm mounted on cardboard 35 x 29.5 cm**

Item is a photograph of the students and staff at the Acacia Villa School.

**Note:** Photograph by A.L. Hardy.

**Note:** Item is oversized and therefore located in map folder

**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image.

**6/7 [Acacia Villa School students and staff.](#) – [ca. 1900-1910]. – 1 photograph : sepia toned ; 24 x 18 cm mounted on cardboard 35.5 x 27.5 cm**

Item is a photograph of the Acacia Villa students and staff.

**Note:** Photographer not determined

**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image

- 6/8 [Acacia Villa School students and staff](#). - ca. 1900-1910. – 1 photograph : sepia toned ; 24.5 cm x 18.5 cm mounted on cardboard 35 x 29.5 cm  
Item is a photograph of the students and staff at the Acacia Villa School.  
**Note:** Item is oversized and therefore located in map folder  
**Note:** Photographer not determined  
**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image
- 6/9 [Acacia Villa School students and staff](#). – 1904–1905. – 2 photographs : sepia toned ; 25 x 19.5 cm mounted on cardboard 34.5 cm x 27.5 cm and 25 x 19.5 cm mounted on cardboard 36.5 x 30.5 cm  
Items are two copies of a photograph of the Acacia Villa School students and staff.  
**Note:** Larger photograph, verso, reads: “Gift of Nita (Patterson) Hubley.” Smaller copy has names of individuals in the photograph written on the back.  
**Note:** One of the items is oversized and therefore located in map folder  
**Note:** Photographer not determined  
**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image.
- 6/10 [Acacia Villa School baseball team](#). – 1909–1910. – 1 photograph : sepia toned ; 20.5 x 15 cm mounted on cardboard 30 x 25 cm  
Item is a photograph of the Acacia Villa baseball team of 1909 – 1910. Back row: Frank Woodman, Charlie N. Gregg, Colin Jones, Donald Fisher, Ralph Woodman. Front row: Leon Fluck, Harry McAnn, Clifford Steacie. Imrie Borden.  
**Note:** Photograph by A. L. Hardy.  
**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image.
- 6/11 [Acacia Villa School hockey team](#). – 1909-1910. – 1 photograph : sepia toned ; 20.5 x 15.5 cm mounted on cardboard 24.5 x 29.5 cm  
Item is a photograph of the Acacia Villa School hockey team of 1909 – 1910. Back row: Clifford Stacie, Charlie N. Gregg, Ralph Woodman, Keith Patterson. Front row: Leon Fluck, Fred Graham, Don Fisher.  
**Note:** Photograph taken by A. L. Hardy.  
**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image.
- 6/12 [Acacia Villa School students and staff](#). - 1909-1910. – 1 photograph : sepia toned ; 24.5 x 19.5 cm mounted on cardboard 35 x 30 cm  
Item is a photograph of students and staff at the Acacia Villa School. Second row, l-r: 1PstP Ralph Woodman, 2PndP Arthur Woodman, 6PthP Lawrence Firth, 7PthP Charlie Firth, 9PthP Charlie Gregg, 10PthP Frank Woodman.  
**Note:** Photograph by A.L. Hardy.  
**Note:** Item is oversized and therefore located in map folder  
**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image.
- 6/13 [Acacia Villa School football team](#). – [191-]. – 1 photograph : sepia toned ; 19 x 11 cm mounted on cardboard 29 x 21 cm  
Item is a photograph of the Acacia Villa football team.  
**Note:** Cardboard, verso, reads: “Gift from Clifford Kelley”.  
**Note:** Photograph by A. L. Hardy.  
**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image.
- 6/14 [Acacia Villa School students and staff](#). – [1910?]. – 1 photograph : sepia toned ; 20.5 x 15.5 cm mounted on cardboard 33 x 25 cm

Item is a photograph of the Acacia Villa School class accompanied by teachers and taken beside one of the buildings on the Acacia Villa School grounds.

**Note:** Photographer not determined

**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image.

6/15 [Acacia Villa School football team](#). – ca. 1910. – 1 photograph : sepia toned ; 19 x 13.5 cm

Item is a photograph of the Acacia Villa football team.

**Note:** Photograph, recto, has been marked with an x and the back of the photograph reads: "X Charles B. McMullen, Truro, NS."

**Note:** Photographer not determined.

**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image.

6/16 [Acacia Villa School baseball team](#). – 1910. – 1 photograph : sepia toned ; 20.5 x 15.5 cm mounted on cardboard 30 x 24 cm

Item is a photograph of the Acacia Villa baseball team of 1910. Back row: Ken Delphy, Franklyn Robb, Frank Patterson, Colin McPherson, Arthur Stawell. Front Row: Guy Saunders, Jack Sargent; Don Saunders Harold DeLong, Wesley Graves.

**Note:** Photograph by A. L. Hardy.

**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image.

6/17 [Acacia Villa School staff](#). – 1910-1911. – 1 photograph : sepia toned ; 16 x 21.5 cm mounted on cardboard 24.5 x 30 cm

Item is a photograph of the staff of the Acacia Villa School (four men and two woman): Principal A. H. Patterson, R. A. Patterson, Mr. Spinar? Mr. Frank Patterson, Mrs. A. H. Patterson, Miss Edith Woodman.

**Note:** Photograph by A. L. Hardy.

**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image.

6/18 [Acacia Villa School students and staff](#). – 1910-1911. – 1 photograph : sepia tones ; 24.5 x 19 cm mounted on cardboard 34 x 29.5 cm

Item is a photograph of students and staff at the Acacia Villa School. Front row 5PthP Henry Watson, second row 9PthP Leon Prince, third row : 1PstP – 9PthP: Frank Patterson, Arthur Patterson, Miss Fultin, Edith Woodman Crawford, Louise Bowser Dennison, Mrs. Lena Curry Graham, Dorothy Watson, ? Spencer, Reg Patterson.

**Note:** Photograph by A.L. Hardy

**Note:** Item is oversized and therefore located in map folder

**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image

6/19 [Acacia Villa School baseball team](#). – 1911. – 1 photograph : sepia toned ; 21 x 16 cm mounted on cardboard 29.5 x 24 cm

Item is a photograph of the Acacia Villa School baseball team taken in the spring of 1911.

Names of team members are written on the back of the photograph. Back row: Arthur Crowe, Fred Spencer, ?, R. A. Patterson, Frank Rowe, Colin Jones, Edward Stacie.

**Note:** Photograph by A. L. Hardy.

**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image.

6/20 [Acacia Villa School basketball team](#). – 1912. – 1 photograph : sepia toned ; 21 x 16 cm mounted on cardboard 29.5 x 24 cm

Item is a photograph of the Acacia Villa basketball team of 1912, taken to celebrate the victory of Acacia Villa over the Kings County Academy. A ball in the photograph records:

KCA - 10, AVS - 24. Back row: Smith?, Chas. Dugas, Jack Borden, J. C. Crowe. Front Row: MacInnes, Imrie Borden.

**Note:** Cardboard mat, verso, reads: "Gift of J.C. Crowe."

**Note:** Photograph by A. L. Hardy. **Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image.

**6/21 [Acacia Villa School staff](#). – 1912. – 1 photograph : sepia toned ; 20.5 x 16 cm mounted on cardboard 29.5 X 24.5 cm**

Item is a photograph of the staff of the Acacia Villa School (five men and one woman): Back row: Arthur Patterson, J. C. Crowe, McInnes. Front Row: Mrs. Arthur Patterson, Charles Dugas, Flossie Palmeter.

**Note:** Cardboard mat, verso, reads: "Gift of J.C. Crowe."

**Note:** Photograph by A. L. Hardy.

**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image

**6/22 [Acacia Villa School students and staff](#). – 1912. – 1 photograph : sepia toned ; 25. 5 x 20 cm mounted on cardboard 34 x 29. 5 cm**

Item is a photograph of students and staff at the Acacia Villa School. Names of staff and students are written on the back of the photo.

**Note:** Photograph by A. L. Hardy

**Note:** Item is oversized and therefore located in map folder **Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image

**6/23 [Acacia Villa School students and staff](#). – 1917-1918. – 1 photograph : sepia toned ; 24.5 x 19.5 cm mounted on cardboard 35 x 30 cm**

Item is a photograph of the students and staff of the Acacia Villa School, 1917–1918. Third row from left: 1PstP Mrs. A Patterson, 2PndP Hilda Hockin, 6PthP Daisy Trenholm Kilcup, 9PthP Gertrude Rathbone Dennison.

**Note:** Photograph by Edson Graham.

**Note:** Item is oversized and therefore located in map folder **Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image.

**6/24 [Acacia Villa School students and staff](#). – 1918-1919. – 1 photograph : sepia toned ; 24.5 x 19.5 cm mounted on cardboard 35 x 29.5 cm**

Item is a photograph of students and staff at the Acacia Villa School. **Note:** Photograph by A. L. Hardy.

**Note:** Item is oversized and therefore located in map folder. **Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image.

**6/25 [Hattie Patterson Kirkpatrick](#). – 1965. – 1 photograph : b&w ; 9 x 13 cm**

Item is a photograph of Hattie Patterson Kirkpatrick. She was the daughter of one of the headmasters of the Acacia Villa School and may have been a student there.

**Note:** Includes black and white negative.

**Note:** Photographer not determined

**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image

**6/26 [Acacia Villa School postcard](#). – [?]. – 1 photograph : b&w ; 10 x 15 cm**

Item is a photograph of a postcard depicting the Acacia Villa School grounds and buildings. Postcard ca. 1910.

**Note:** Photographer not determined

**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image.

**6/27 [Acacia Villa School grounds](#). – [?]. – 1 photograph : col. ; 9 x 12.5 cm**

Item is a photograph of a postcard depicting the Acacia Villa School grounds and buildings. Postcard ca. 1910.

**Note:** Photographer not determined

**Note:** Supplied title based on contents of image.

**6/28 Acacia Villa School. – [Copy date unknown]. – 7 photographs : b&w ; 11 x 15 cm**

Items are copyprints of original photographs that relate to Acacia Villa. They were used by M. V. Marshall in his book *A Short History of the Acacia Villa School*.

**Note:** Supplied title based on content of images.

**6/28/1 [Acacia Villa School students and staff](#). – [Copy date unknown]. – 1 photograph : b&w ; 11 x 15 cm**

Item is a copyprint of a photograph of the Acacia Villa School students and staff in 1899.

Note: Photograph, verso, reads: "1899 from Henry C. Ritchie R.D.2. Scotia N.Y."

**Note:** Photographer not determined

**Note:** Supplied title based on content of image.

**6/28/2 [Acacia Villa School students and staff](#). – [Copy date unknown]. – 1 photograph : b&w ; 11 x 15 cm**

Item is a copyprint of a photograph of the Acacia Villa School students and staff in 1900.

**Note:** Photograph, verso, reads: "1900 from Henry C. Ritchie Scotia N.Y.(RD2)."

**Note:** Photographer not determined

**Note:** Supplied title based on content of image.

**6/28/3 [Principal and H. Colwell](#). – [Copy date unknown]. – 1 photograph : b&w ; 8 x 10 cm**

Item is a copyprint of a photograph taken of the school's principal and student Cyril H. Colwell in front of one of the school buildings.

**Note:** Photographer not determined

**Note:** Supplied title based on content of image.

**6/28/4 [Unidentified student](#). – [Copy date unknown]. – 1 photograph : b&w ; 10 x 8 cm**

Item is a copyprint of a photograph taken of an unidentified student in September 1910 in front of one of the school buildings.

**Note:** Photographed by Cyril H. Colwell?

**Note:** Supplied title based on content of image.

**6/28/5 [Mr and Mrs. Fred Watson and Children Dorothy and Henry](#). – [Copy date unknown]. – 1 photograph : b&w ; 10 x 8 cm**

Item is a copyprint of a photograph taken of the Watson family in September 1910 in front of their home.

**Note:** Photographer not determined

**Note:** Supplied title based on content of image.

**6/28/6 [Boy Scout Camp](#). – [Copy date unknown]. – 1 photograph : b&w ; 10 x 8 cm**

Item is a copyprint of a photograph of the first and second Boy Scout Camp at Black River Lake during the summer of 1913.

**Note:** Photographed by Cyril H. Colwell.

**Note:** Supplied title based on content of image.

**6/28/7 [Boy Scout Camp in front of tent](#). – [Copy date unknown]. – 1 photograph : b&w ; 10 x 8 cm**

Item is a copyprint of a photograph of the first and second Boy Scout Camp at Black River Lake on August 13, 1913. Many of the boys were students at Acacia Villa School.

**Note:** Photographer not determined

**Note:** Supplied title based on content of image.

#### 7. **Slates.** – [19-?]. – 3 artefacts

Series contains 3 slates

**Note:**

Supplied title based on contents of series

File list included

#### **File List**

**7/1-7/3** Items are three [slates](#) used by students at the Acacia Villa School.

### **Administrative History of Acacia Villa School<sup>1</sup>**

Acacia Villa School was founded in July 1852 by Joseph R. Hea, as a private school for boys. Originally named the Lower Horton Seminary by its founder, it was located at Horton Landing (now Hortonville), Kings County, NS. Hea remained proprietor and principal until the school was purchased by Alexander McNutt Patterson in 1860. Patterson retired in 1907 and his son Arthur H. Patterson conducted the school until its closing in 1920.

Acacia Villa School had a broad curriculum. In addition to an academic program that prepared young men for entrance to college, it gave instruction in commercial subjects, music, and elocution. Long before other schools in Nova Scotia had a provided such facilities, it had a gymnasium, a sports field, a library, a reading room and a science laboratory.

The boys had many activities to keep them busy outside the classroom: compulsory letter writing every Friday night; the Acacia Villa Literary Society met every second Friday; the Acacia Villa Gazette was published by students every May and December; rifle practice occurred regularly; athletic activities were extremely popular and the school had many sports teams; concerts such as the Elocution recital and St. Patrick's Day Concert were well attended; and the closing day events were the highlight of the school year.

By about the 1905-1906 school term, the school permitted girls to attend classes and from that point on girls played an active role in school life.

Acacia Villa School closed in [late May] 1920 after sixty-eight years of existence. Today none of the original buildings remain standing, but the Wolfville Historical Society has erected a monument on the grounds of the former school. The monument reads:

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<sup>1</sup> Taken from: Marshall, Mortimer Villiers. A Short History of Acacia Villa School. Wolfville, Nova Scotia: Acadia University Institute, [1963].

*This cairn marks the site of the Acacia Villa School for Boys founded in 1852 by Joseph R. Hea. He was principal until 1860, Arthur McNutt Patterson was principal from 1860 to 1907. His son, Arthur H. Patterson was principal from 1907 to 1920, when the school was officially closed.*

### Biographical Sketch of the Collector

Mortimer Villiers Marshall was born on 26 May 1898 at Central Chebogue, Yarmouth County, N.S. As a child he attended the local school and Yarmouth Academy. In 1916 he enlisted in the Canadian Corps of Signallers and served on the Western Front. Marshall entered Acadia University in 1919 as a member of the class of 1922. However, through hard work he was able to graduate with a Bachelor of Science in 1921. He then earned the following degrees: Bachelor of Arts, 1922 from Acadia University; Master of Education, 1927, and Doctor of Education, 1930, from Harvard University.

Originally Marshall wanted to become a chemical engineer but changed his mind during his last year at Acadia University and decided to pursue a career in teaching. Between 1922 and 1927 he was an Instructor for Math and Hygiene at the Provincial Normal School, Truro N.S (later the Nova Scotia Teachers College). Returning to Wolfville, NS he became an Instructor in science at Horton Academy, between 1927 and 1928. He next moved to Franklin and Marshall College Lancaster, PA where he was a professor of Education for thirteen years (1929-1943). Marshall then spent the rest of his career at Acadia University where he served as Professor and Director of the School of Education. In 1953 he was appointed Dean of Education, a position he held until his retirement in 1966.

Marshall wrote many books, articles, standardized tests and surveys about the topic of education. Some of his books include *Education as a Social Force*, *An Introduction to Tests and Testing* and *Learning How to Study*.

The Nova Scotia Teachers' Union made him a life member, he was the winner of two Canadian Council Research Fellowships, and was twice invited by London University to be an Honorary Fellow. Acadia University gave Marshall an honorary degree of Doctor of Letters in 1966.

Marshall collected many textbooks which had been used in Maritime schools between the late 19th and mid 20th centuries. See the Archives' accession 1981.012 for a taped interview in which he describes his collection and cataloguing methods. When he retired he placed this historical textbook collection in the Vaughan Memorial Library at Acadia University.

In 1963, Mortimer Villiers Marshall researched and wrote *A Short History of Acacia Villa School*. It was published and distributed through an agreement with the Acadia University Institute. The

taped interview at accession 1981.012 also includes a brief description of this research.  
Mortimer V.

Marshall died on 28 January 1984 in the Windsor Elms Nursing Home, Windsor N.S. and is buried in the Town Point Cemetery located at Chebogue, Yarmouth Co. N.S.

### Custodial History

This collection was acquired in 1982 as part of the Acadia University Institute fonds (1982.001). On 27 May 2005, it was removed from the Institute fonds and accessioned separately as the Mortimer Villiers Marshall collection. This was done because although the Acadia University Institute helped to publish and distribute Marshall's history, Marshall had no other relationship with the Institute. Unlike other Institute research projects, he conducted his research and wrote his history quite independently of the Institute.

Originally this collection included three textbooks: Elementary English Composition 1902, A Short Grammar of the English Tongue 1892, and The Modern Business Speller 1901. These have been removed from the Mortimer Villiers Marshall collection. Elementary English Composition and A Short Grammar of the English Tongue have been discarded and The Modern Business Speller has been added to the Historical Textbook collection in Special Collections, Vaughan Memorial Library.

### Scope and Content

While conducting his research, Marshall collected school programs, calendars, photographs, artifacts and other materials relating to the Acacia Villa School; these form the basis of this collection.

The collection consists of seven series:

1. Correspondence
2. Acacia Villa programs
3. Acacia Villa School calendar
4. Acacia Villa Gazette
5. Loose leaf with names re: photos
6. Acacia Villa School photographs
7. Slates

### Notes

Supplied title based on contents of collection

Selected items available digitally

See also A Short History of Acacia Villa School by Marshall [LE3 .A16 M3 1963]

See also the following in Special Collections (SPCOLL), Vaughan Memorial Library, Acadia University: Acacia Villa Gazette (May 1905; May 1906; December 1907; May 1908; and May 1909), and Acacia Villa School calendar (1917-1918)

See the textbooks Marshall collected in Special Collections, Historic Textbook Collection, Vaughan Memorial Library, Acadia University

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#### Access Points

Acacia Villa School (Horton Landing, Kings Co., NS)  
Lower Horton Seminary (Horton Landing, Kings Co., NS)  
Mortimer V. Marshall (1898-1984)