

**Augusta County Historical Society**  
**Acc # 180**  
**Virginia Female Institute Publications and Student Notes**  
**1904-1913**

**Size:** 1.75 inches

**Scope & Content**

The "Inlook" was a quarterly published by the Stuart Literary Society and later by the junior and senior English classes. The 1904 issues contain literary pieces written by students, class news, notes on social events and alumnae news. The 1907 issue has advertisements in the back, photographs of four 1906-07 graduates, a section on clubs and societies with photos, a list of trustees and faculty as well as the literary selections. The collection also contains a student notebook belonging to Marie Talbott that is undated and contains outlines and notes for her literature class. In the notebook there were loose papers on which were written poems, an outline for study, and a note to a friend about the renaming of the school to Stuart Hall. The newspaper clippings that were also in the notebook are poems and anecdotes.

**Historical/Biographical Note**

The Virginia Female Institute, one of the oldest Virginia Episcopal schools, was chartered in 1844. The name was changed in 1907 to Stuart Hall, its current name, in honor of Flora Cooke Stuart (Mrs. Gen. J.E.B. Stuart) who was principal from 1880-1899. In 1907 the president of the Board of Trustees was Rt. Rev. Alfred Randolph and the principal was Rev. Robert Jett.

**Organization/Arrangement**

- (1) Quarterlies chronologically in box
- (2) Loose papers and clippings in envelope in box

**Miscellaneous**

Graduates in 1906-7 were Willie Gibson, W. Watson Kasey, Martha Meriwether, and Katherine Kennedy. The Board of Directors included Joseph Cochran, Thomas Ransom, James Taylor, Alex. Robertson, and Rev. Robert Jett.