



This display window, located in the Tupper building, Dalhousie University, contains photos, posters and artefacts highlighting the Moose River Mining disaster. The disaster occurred in 1936 in Moose River, Nova Scotia. Three men, Herman Magill, David Robertson and Alfred Scadding, owners of the mine, became trapped underground for 11 days. There were two survivors.

Members of the NS Nurses Historical Society and the Victoria General Hospital Nurses Alumni, recently attended the 90th anniversary of the disaster, in which the tireless efforts of the people

who helped, including nurses from the VGH, Anna Brennan (Class of 1919) and Ada Hopkins (class of 1935) were honoured. Three notable outcomes of this disaster were:

1. The “glass boot”-miracle of “saving limbs” used to treat Mr Scadding
2. The Beginnings of CBC-first time on the scene live reporting
3. Moose River provincial park and Museum

This window display is sponsored by the Association of Health Sciences Archives & Museums of Nova Scotia (AHSAMNS). It was prepared by members of the VGH School of Nursing Archives, who founded the AHSAMNS. For more information on the Moose River mining disaster and the nurses who helped, visit:
<https://www.halifaxvghnursesalumni.ca/filemanager/files/MOOSE%20RIVER%20GOLD%20MINE%20DISASTER%202.pdf>

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www.halifaxvghnursesalumni.ca

A worthwhile visit to the Tupper building to view the display.