

TRUDEAU

Trudeau; a north country heritage; located in the town of St Armand is a place that will always be remembered by thousands of people all over the world. Many people from all walks of life came to this haven for the cure of that dreaded disease tuberculosis.

The founder of this haven; Dr Edward Livingston Trudeau was born October 5, 1848 in New York City. In 1871, he married Lottie Beare, and in 1875, he brought his family to Paul Smith's. He was an avid sportsman and a very close friend of Dr Loomis.

In 1876, he moved to Saranac Lake. Trudeau's dream was to find a place where he could treat his patients and hopefully find a cure for tuberculosis; a place with clean air and quiet surroundings. It was in this year of 1876 that he purchased sixteen acres of land known as "Preacher Smith's Pasture". A few platform tents served as a start. In 1884; a one room 14x18; with a porch, woodstove, wash stand and lamp was built. This cottage was called "The Little Red".

In 1887 the famed Robert Lewis Stevenson was a patient of Dr Trudeau. It was from this year on that the cottages seemed to spring up, and in 1891 the Inslee cottage was built. Between 1894-1904 nine cottages were built; being the Inslee, Anderson, Ladd, Richardson, Hoffman, Robbins, Phoenix Schiff and Nathan. Also in 1894 a Drs. cottage was built. In 1896 the Main Building was erected. With the need for an Infirmary; 1901 was the creation of Childs memorial. Dr Henry Sewall was the first Doctor in charge of Childs.

Between 1899-1901; the well known Doctors, Jameson, Trembley, and Brown were on Staff.

Julia Miller served as Superintendent from 1885-1903. It was in 1903 that she married Charles Armstrong who then became the new Superintendent.

It seemed that from 1904 on that Trudeau seemed to grow constantly with many many more cottages and buildings to a small community in it's own. Additions including a Post Office, Library, Laundry, work shop, Lab, Chapel, Nurses Home, many more cottages and another Infirmary.

In 1912 a Nursing School was established, and in 1915 the first class graduated.



DR. LIVINGSTON TRUDEAU



SCHIFF COTTAGE





Main Building located at Trudeem / Now A.M.A.



TRUDEAU CHAPEL STILL ON AMA GROUNDS



ROVERS LAUNDRY IN TERRS PAST

