Collection overview

Title: George C. Mason, Jr. letters
Date range: 1902
Creator: Mason, George C. Jr., 1849-1924
Extent: 0.01 linear feet (1 folder)
Abstract: This collection consists of two letters by George C. Mason, Jr. (1849-1924), architect, and Mary Edith Powel (1846-1931) of Newport, Rhode Island, concerning Reminiscences of Newport by George C. Mason (1820-1894).
Language of materials: English
Repository: Redwood Library and Athenaeum
Collection number: RLC.Ms.524

Scope & content

This collection consists of two letters written in 1902. The first letter is from George C. Mason, Jr. to Mary Edith Powel (1846-1931), an author in Newport, Rhode Island, on March 12, 1902, regarding his father’s 1884 publication, Reminiscences of Newport, and his plans for reprinting the volume with illustrations. The second letter is a draft of a letter sent by Powel in response to Mason, Jr. on May 7, 1902, in which she requests to reserve a copy of Mason Jr.’s reprint of his father’s Reminiscences of Newport.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged in chronological order.
Biographical note

George C. Mason, Jr. (1849-1924) was born on August 8, 1849, in Newport, Rhode Island, the son of prominent Newport architect, George C. (1820-1894) and Frances (Dean) Mason. At the age of eighteen, George C. Mason, Jr. entered his father’s successful architectural firm and by 1871 was made a full partner of the firm. George C. Mason and Son remained in operation until his father’s death in 1894. In January 1888, he moved to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, after marrying Sarah Borie (1854-1930) and opened a branch office of George C. Mason and Son at 502 Walnut Street in Philadelphia. From 1895 until his own death in 1924, Mason, Jr. practiced as an architect on his own, taking a special interest in the restoration of historic structures. George C. Mason, Jr. died on April 22, 1924, in Ardmore, Pennsylvania.

Access & use

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Administrative information

About the collection

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About the finding aid

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Additional information


Search terms

Names: Mason, George C. (George Champlin), 1820-1894
        Powel, Mary Edith, 1846-1931

Subjects: Newport (R.I.)--History

Types of materials: Letters (correspondence)

Titles: Reminiscences of Newport
Inventory