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Green Family Collection

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Collection Information

Abstract : Collection contains correspondence, documents, newspaper articles, photographs, maps and plans relating to the Green Family and the Green Hill Mansion in Worcester, Massachusetts.

Finding Aid : Finding Aid in print form is available in the Repository.

Preferred Citation : Worcester Historical Museum, Worcester, Massachusetts.

Provenance : Acquired at the auction of the Green Hill Estate (items in collection 2010.41 acquired on Ebay)

MARC Access : Collection is cataloged in MARC under the following subject headings

Historical/Biographical Notes

The estate known as “Green Hill” was purchased by Dr. Thomas Green of Leicester, Massachusetts in 1754 and was inhabited by his descendents as a family home until 1905 when it was purchased by the city of Worcester for a public park. The estate consisted of approximately 500 acres of land with a farm, stone quarry, and a large mansion.

Much of the correspondence of this collection relates to William E. Green (1777-1865). William was the son of Dr. John Green (1736-). He graduated from Brown University in 1798 and practiced law with Edward Bangs and Edward Bangs, Jr. He had three wives and eleven children including Lucy Merriam Green (1810-1993), Lydia Plympton Green (1824-1869) and Andrew Haswell Green (1820-1903). The material in this collection which deals with William E. Green largely concerns his involvement in the Worcester Coal Company and the Blackstone Canal Company.

The collection also features a large amount of material relating to the inheritance of the Green Hill Estate following Andrew Haswell’s death in 1903. The heirs of the estate were Andrew’s five nieces and nephews: Lucy M. Green, William Ogden Green, Mary Pomeroy Green, Samuel Martin Green, and Nathan W. Green.

Finally the collection features materials relating to the controversial 1960s proposal to construct part of I-290 over part of the Green Hill Park.

Scope and Content

Collection contains correspondence, documents, newspaper articles, photographs, maps and plans relating to the Green Family and the Green Hill Mansion in Worcester, Massachusetts. This collection also contains a separate collection, 2010.41 Green Family Account Books, which was purchased separately on Ebay.

Series Descriptions

Series 1: Worcester Coal Company

Series 2: Blackstone Canal

Series 3: Photographs

Series 4: Correspondence

Series 5: Green Hill Mansion Estate and Household

Series 6: Miscellaneous

Series 7: Account Books (2010.41.1)

Green Family Collection
2010.40.1
Series 1, Worcester Coal Company

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	1	2010.40.1.1-13	Letters and documents relating to the Worcester Coal Company
1	2	2010.40.1.14-22	Ibid
1	3	2010.40.1.23-31	Ibid
1	4	2010.40.1.32-47	Ibid

Green Family Collection
2010.40.2
Series 2, Blackstone Canal

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	5	2010.40.2.1-30	Documents, letters, and meeting minutes relating to the Blackstone Canal

Green Family Collection
2010.40.3
Series 3, Photographs

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	6	2010.40.3.1	Green Hill Mansion
1	6	2010.40.3.2	Green Hill Mansion (1906)
1	6	2010.40.3.3	Green Hill Mansion (1905)
1	6	2010.40.3.4	Andrew H. Green at 214 Broadway, New York City opposite St. Paul's Church (March 14, 1902)
1	6	2010.40.3.5	Andrew H. Green, Oliver Brown Green, Martin Green, "Taken on Piazza at Green Hill"
1	6	2010.40.3.6	C.W. Knudsen (December 1874)

1	6	2010.40.3.7	Green Family (Lucy Maria Green, Samuel Fiske Green, William Elijah Green, Martin Green, Julia Elizabeth Green, William Nelson Green, Man Ruggles Green, Andrew Haswell Green, Oliver Brown Green)
1	6	2010.40.3.8	Trees, taken by Theo Brown (August 1895)
1	6	2010.40.3.9	Green Hill Mansion
1	6	2010.40.3.10	Children
1	6	2010.40.3.11	Woman and children
1	7	2010.40.3.12	Green Hill Mansion
1	7	2010.40.3.13	Green Hill Mansion
1	7	2010.40.3.14	Green Hill Mansion
1	7	2010.40.3.15	Woman in field
1	7	2010.40.3.16	Green Hill Mansion Entrance Gate
1	7	2010.40.3.17	Woman
1	7	2010.40.3.18	Sleigh (February 23, 1898)
1	7	2010.40.3.19	Green Hill Mansion
1	7	2010.40.3.20	Green Hill Mansion (1879)
1	7	2010.40.3.21	Trees, taken by Theo Brown (1895)
1	7	2010.40.3.22	Trees, taken by Theo Brown (1895)
1	7	2010.40.3.23	Black Walnut Tree, taken by Theo Brown (1895)
1	7	2010.40.3.24	Nathan W. Green, Julia, Mary and Lucy with Donkey Cart (1958)
1	8	2010.40.3.25	Green Hill Mansion (ca. 1880)
1	8	2010.40.3.26	Green Hill Mansion

1	8	2010.40.3.27	Green Hill Mansion
1	8	2010.40.3.28	Green Hill Mansion
1	8	2010.40.3.29	Green Hill Mansion, people and donkey cart
1	8	2010.40.3.30	Green Hill Mansion
1	8	2010.40.3.31	Green Hill Mansion
1	8	2010.40.3.32	Green Hill Mansion, trees
1	8	2010.40.3.33	Julie, Lucy, Mary, Nathan and donkey cart
1	8	2010.40.3.34	Green Hill Mansion
1	8	2010.40.3.35	Green Hill Mansion, family in foreground
1	8	2010.40.3.36	Original house at Green Hill
2	n/a	2010.40.3.37	Green Hill Mansion, main hall
2	n/a	2010.40.3.38	Green Hill Mansion, dining room
2	n/a	2010.40.3.39	Green Hill Mansion, library
1	n/a	2010.40.3.40a-u	Bound photo album featuring various members of the Green family
1	n/a	2010.40.3.40a	William Elijah Green d. 1869 at age of 88
1	n/a	2010.40.3.40b	William Nelson Green
1	n/a	2010.40.3.40c	Unidentified
1	n/a	2010.40.3.40d	Lucy Merriam Green
1	n/a	2010.40.3.40e	Julia Elizabeth Green
1	n/a	2010.40.3.40f	Carl Wilhelm Knudsen
1	n/a	2010.40.3.40g	Mary Ruggles Green Knudsen
1	n/a	2010.40.3.40h	Dr. John Plimpton Green

1	n/a	2010.40.3.40i	Andrew Haswell Green
1	n/a	2010.40.3.40j	Lydia Plimpton Green
1	n/a	2010.40.3.40k	William Nelson Green Jr. (killed in Civil War at age of 21)
1	n/a	2010.40.3.40l	Oliver Banne Green
1	n/a	2010.40.3.40m	Louisa Green and Andrew Hugh Green
1	n/a	2010.40.3.40n	Mary Pomeroy Green
1	n/a	2010.40.3.40o	Olivia Green
1	n/a	2010.40.3.40p	William Ogden Green
1	n/a	2010.40.3.40q	Samuel Martin Green
1	n/a	2010.40.3.40r	Samuel Fisk Green
1	n/a	2010.40.3.40s	Morgan T. Philips Williams Green
1	n/a	2010.40.3.40t	Unidentified
1	n/a	2010.40.3.40u	Samuel Fisk Green

Green Family Collection
2010.40.4
Series 4, Correspondence

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	9	2010.40.4.1-39	Letters ranging from 1823-1961 (includes wallpaper samples- 1846)

Green Family Collection
2010.40.5
Series 5, Green Hill Mansion Estate and Household

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
2	10	2010.40.5.1-16	Legal documents, inventories, maps, plans and articles relating to the Green Hill household and estate
2	11	2010.40.5.17-22	Ibid
2	12	2010.40.5.23-45	Ibid
n/a	SPROVS	2010.40.5.46	Blueprint of Green Hill Estate, April 1905
n/a	OVS	2010.40.5.47	Map of Green Hill grounds
2	n/a	2010.40.5.48	Acknowledgment to the heirs of Andrew H. Green from the City of Worcester for their contribution towards the city's purchase of Green Hill, November 6, 1905
n/a	OVS	2010.40.5.49	Green Hill Estate sale poster

Green Family Collection
2010.40.6
Series 6, Miscellaneous

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
2	13	2010.40.6.1	Terms of dividing lands taken for Eerie Canal in New York State
2	13	2010.40.6.2	English cloth notice: "Fishing, shooting..."
2	13	2010.40.6.3	Cloth notice (unidentified language)
2	13	2010.40.6.4	Cloth notice in Italian
2	13	2010.40.6.5	Cloth notice in Swedish
2	13	2010.40.6.6	Cloth notice: "Private Grounds," June 9, 1900

2	13	2010.40.6.7	Cloth notice: "Private Grounds," June 9, 1900
2	13	2010.40.6.8	Cloth notice: "Private Grounds," June 9, 1900
n/a	OVS	2010.40.6.9	Worcester Rubber Company poster

Green Family Collection
2010.41.1
Series 7, Account Books

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
2	14	2010.41.1.1-18	Expense statements for Green Hill 1880-1889
2	15	2010.41.1.19-30	Expense statements for Green Hill 1889-1908
2	n/a	2010.41.1.31	Bound account book, 1867-1883
2	n/a	2010.41.1.32	Bound account book, 1884-1890