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Collection Information

Abstract : Plans of the grounds of the W.A. Burnham estate on Fairhaven Bay in Lincoln drafted by Frederick Law Olmsted, with photographs of the house and grounds, and miscellaneous materials relating to the Olmsted Archives.

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

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Provenance : Gift of Peg and Bob Martin, Lincoln, Mass., March 2004.

MARC Access: Collection is catalogued in MARC under the following subject headings (lcs, aat, gm, etc.)

Burnham, William A.
Adams, Charles Francis, 1835-1915.
Olmsted, Frederick Law, 1822-1903.
Architecture -- Massachusetts -- Lincoln.
Real property -- Massachusetts -- Lincoln.
Dwellings -- Massachusetts -- Lincoln.
Landscape architecture -- Massachusetts -- Lincoln.

Olmsted Archives (Boston, Mass.)

Historical/Biographical Notes

The Burnham estate, overlooking Fairhaven Bay in the Sudbury River, was built in 1890 for Boston businessman William A. Burnham. The grounds were landscaped to plans and drawings drafted by noted landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted. Burnham used the property as a summer residence until 1903, when it was sold to Charles Francis Adams of Quincy, who moved from Quincy to Lincoln in 1904. Adams lived in the house until his death in 1915. Subsequently the buildings were demolished.

Scope and Content

The collection comprises two photographs of the Burnham estate and the grounds, 37 photocopies of plans and drawings of the grounds of the estate, drafted by Frederick Law Olmsted in 1890, and copied from the Olmsted Archives in Boston. Also included are miscellaneous items relating to the Olmsted Archives.

Series Descriptions

Series 1: Photographs, n.d. (2 items)

Series 2: Plans and Drawings, ca. 1890. (37 items)

Series 3: Miscellaneous, ca. 1990s. (6 items)

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Series 1, Photographs

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1	1	2004.009.1.1	View across Fairhaven Bay toward Burnham property : copy print, 5 x 7 in. / n.d.
1	1	2004.009.1.2	Burnham house : copy print from slide, 4 x 6 in. / n.d.

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Series 2, Plans and Drawings

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1	2	2004.009.2.1	Preliminary study for location of stable : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. / Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
1	2	2004.009.2.2	Revised planting plan, Burnham estate : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. / Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
1	2	2004.009.2.3	Revised planting plan, Burnham estate : color photocopy, 8 x 10 in. / Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
1	2	2004.009.2.4	Revised planting plan : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. / Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
1	2	2004.009.2.5	General plan of grounds around house : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. / Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
1	2	2004.009.2.6	Detailed plan of roads and drives : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. / Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
1	2	2004.009.2.7	Planting plan : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. / Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
1	3	2004.009.2.8	Plan of property of W.A. Burnham : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. / Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
1	3	2004.009.2.9	Details of walls and steps : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. / Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
1	3	2004.009.2.10	Topography of part of Burnham estate : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. / Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
1	3	2004.009.2.11	Planting plan for flower border : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. / Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
1	3	2004.009.2.12	Study for arrangement near entrance : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. / Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.

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- 1 3 2004.009.2.13 Topographic detail near driveway : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. /
Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
- 1 3 2004.009.2.14 Topographic detail near dwelling : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. /
Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
- 1 3 2004.009.2.15 Plan of plantings near dwelling : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. /
Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
- 1 4 2004.009.2.16 Plan of entrance drive : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. / Frederick
Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
- 1 4 2004.009.2.17 Entrance grounds : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. / Frederick Law
Olmsted, ca. 1889.
- 1 4 2004.009.2.18 Study for arrangement near entrance : photocopy, 8 x 10 in.
/ Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
- 1 4 2004.009.2.19 Study for arrangements about house : photocopy, 8 x 10 in.
/ Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
- 1 4 2004.009.2.20 Topographic detail of drive : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. /
Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
- 1 4 2004.009.2.21 Study for arrangements near entrance : photocopy, 8 x 10
in. / Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
- 1 4 2004.009.2.22 Location of barn and stables : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. /
Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
- 1 4 2004.009.2.23 Profiles on driveway : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. / Frederick
Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
- 1 5 2004.009.2.24 Detail of area around dwelling : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. /
Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
- 1 5 2004.009.2.25 Sketch for stable road : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. / Frederick
Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
- 1 5 2004.009.2.26 Drive detail near dwelling : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. /
Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.

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- 1 5 2004.009.2.27 Drive detail near dwelling : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. /
Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
- 1 5 2004.009.2.28 Study for arrangements near entrance : photocopy, 8 x 10
in. / Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
- 1 5 2004.009.2.29 Study for arrangements near entrance : photocopy, 8 x 10
in. / Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
- 1 5 2004.009.2.30 Detail of formal flower beds : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. /
Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
- 1 5 2004.009.2.31 Topography near dwelling : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. /
Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
- 1 6 2004.009.2.32 Grounds detail near dwelling : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. /
Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
- 1 6 2004.009.2.33 Topography between dwelling and bay : photocopy, 8 x 10
in. / Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
- 1 6 2004.009.2.34-.35 Topography between dwelling and entrance :
photocopy, 8 x 10 in. / Frederick Law Olmsted, ca.
1889.
- 1 6 2004.009.2.36 Topography near Fairhaven Bay : photocopy, 8 x 10 in. /
Frederick Law Olmsted, ca. 1889.
- 1 6 2004.009.2.37 Plan of land between dwelling and entrance : photocopy, 8
x 10 in. /
Frederick Law
Olmsted, ca.
1889.

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Series 3, Miscellaneous

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1	7	2004.009.3.1	Pre-cataloging inventory of plans of Adams (Burnham) estate : photocopy, 8 sheets / Olmsted Archives, 1991.
1	8	2004.009.3.2	Letter to Peg Martin from Olmsted Archives relating to Olmsted plans and papers of Burnham estate : typescript, 2 p. / 2002.
1	8	2004.009.3.3	Olmsted Archives access policy : typescript / 1998.
1	8	2004.009.3.4	Guide to the Olmsted papers and records at the Library of Congress : typescript / 1985.
1	8	2004.009.3.5	List of photos of Olmsted drawings for Burnham estate : typescript / n.d.
1	9	2004.009.3.6	Notes from C.F. Adams copybook and other papers relating to Burnham estate : typescript, 10 p. / n.d.
1	9	2004.009.3.7	The Olmsted Archives : brochure / National Park Service, n.d.
1	9	2004.009.3.8	Frederick Law Olmsted National Historic Site : brochure / National Park Service, 2000.