

JUNIUS SPENCER MORGAN ESTATE PAPERS
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BRIEF COLLECTION INFORMATION

Collection title and dates

Junius Spencer Morgan Estate Papers, 1885–ca. 1920 (bulk 1890–1911)

Creator

Junius Spencer Morgan, 1813-1890

Accession number

ARC 1233

Quantity/extent

3.2 cubic feet (6 document boxes, 2 flat storage boxes)

Collection overview

A brief overview of this collection is available in the Morgan's online catalog, CORSAIR. The collection-level record includes hyperlinks to names and subjects represented in the collection; descriptions of related material may be found by following these links.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Processing information

Processed by Danielle Kovacs, January 2003

Provenance

The estate papers of Junius Spencer Morgan were donated to the Morgan Library in 1990 by Morgan Grenfell & Co., through the efforts of John A. Morgan. The papers were received at the Library in a nineteenth-century metal document box labeled "Estate of J. S. Morgan, Esqre., Deceased" (ARC 1210).

Accessibility

The collection is open for research by appointment. The following page provides information on conducting research in the Morgan's Reading Room:

<http://www.themorgan.org/research/reading.asp>

Preferred citation

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Repository

The Pierpont Morgan Library
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DETAILED COLLECTION INFORMATION

Biographical note

Born in 1813, Junius Spencer Morgan began his career first as a partner with the firm of Morris Ketchum in New York, and then as a partner with Howe, Mather & Co. in Hartford. In 1836, he married Juliet Pierpont; the couple relocated their family to Boston in 1850 when JSM joined the firm J. M. Beebe & Co. It was during these years that he attracted the attention of George Peabody, an American banker in London. JSM was invited to become a partner at George Peabody & Co. in 1854. This partnership went on to form a financial dynasty that surpassed any other of its day, and their firm became the definitive representative of British funds in the United States.

By the late 1880s, JSM was dividing his time between his estate in Roehampton, England and a rented estate in Monte Carlo. It was there, in April 1890, that he was involved in a carriage accident that resulted in a serious head injury. JSM never regained consciousness, and on April 8, 1890, he died at the age of seventy-six. He was survived by his four children: John Pierpont Morgan, Sarah Spencer Morgan, Juliet Pierpont Morgan, and Mary Lyman Morgan Burns.

Scope and content

This collection contains materials related to the settlement of the estate of Junius Spencer Morgan after his death in April 1890. It includes account books, contracts, correspondence, probate records, estate inventories, invoices and receipts, leases, property valuations, securities lists, and a probate copy of JSM's will. In particular, items in this collection document the financial and administrative aspects of maintaining two of Morgan's estates: Dover House in Roehampton, England, and Villa Henrietta in Monte Carlo.

The collection also documents the important role John Pierpont Morgan played in the settlement of his father's estate. Records from the period following JSM's death include invoices and receipts for purchases made or services rendered to JPM and his family, such as receipts for clothing, food and wine, books and manuscripts, magazine subscriptions, luggage, travel, home furnishings and repairs to Dover House and Princes Gate. These records also include the legal papers of the trustees that document the financial arrangements made for JPM, his sisters, and their descendents.

Related material

In addition to the JSM materials found in this collection, the Morgan Library holds the personal papers of Junius Spencer Morgan (ARC 1192) and a collection of letters between Junius Spencer Morgan and George Peabody (ARC 1193). Also cataloged separately is the metal box in which this collection was received at the Library (ARC 1210). Descriptions of additional materials related to Junius Spencer Morgan are available in CORSAIR.

INVENTORY

Box	Folder	Contents
1	1–22	Accounts: Roehampton estate, 1889–1902 Financial records for accounts at Dover House.
7	4 vols.	Account books, 1885–1890 Apr.
1	23	Account books: Villa Henrietta, 1889–1890 Apr.
1	24–26	Balance sheets, 1886–1890
2	1–5	Contracts: appointment of trustees, 1899 Feb. 4
2	6–7	Correspondence: annuities, 1907–1911
2	8	Correspondence: Peabody trust, 1897
2	9	Correspondence: probate, 1890
2	10	Correspondence: trustees, 1912
2	11–15	Correspondence: trustees—Burns, Mary Lyman Morgan, 1900–1911
2	16	Correspondence: trustees—Morgan, George Denison, 1910–1911
2	17–25	Correspondence: trustees—Morgan, Juliet Pierpont, 1896–1911, 1920
2–3	26–27; 1–4	Correspondence: trustees—Morgan, Sarah Spencer, 1899–1911
3	5	Deed of indemnity: declaration of trusts, 1890
3	6–9	Documents: estate duty, 1890–1891, 1916
3	10–11	Documents: trusts, 1919–1920
3	12–13	Inventory: Villa Henrietta, 1890–1891
3	14–17	Invoices: estate maintenance, 1890–1897 Includes invoices for the upkeep of Dover House and Princes Gate.
3–4	18–28; 1–10	Invoices and receipts, 1886–1897, 1908
4	11	Invoices and receipts: Executors accounts, 1890
4	12–14	Invoices and receipts: Monte Carlo, 1889–1890
8	1 vol.	Journal: Junius Spencer Morgan (1892–1960), [1957] Manuscript account of his early memories in London.
4	15	Junius Spencer Morgan: A Tribute, 1890

Reprinted from the *Banking World* (London: Charles Skipper and East, Printers). 8 leaves.

4	16	Leases: Villa Henrietta, 1887–1889
4	17	Letter: Appointment of trustees, 1905
4	18–25	Letters: Villa Henrietta, 1888–1896
8	1 vol.	Letterpress copybook, 1890–1891 With “Estate of J. S. Morgan Esq. Deceased” stamped in gold on the front cover and spine.
4	26–27	Property valuations, 1890
4–5	28–29; 1–2	Receipt books: estate of J. S. Morgan, 1890–1905
5	3–21	Receipts: estate of J. S. Morgan, 1890–1908
5	22	Receipts: legacies to clerks and messengers, 1890
5	23–26	Receipts: Villa Henrietta, 1882–1890
6	1–9	Securities lists, 1885–1891
6	10–13	Statements: school expenses, 1886–1889
6	14	Telegrams: Monte Carlo, 1890 Apr.
6	15	Will: probate copy, 1890 May 7