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Summary Information

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Biographical / Historical

Edward Tuckerman Potter was born on September 25, 1831 in Schenectady, New York. He was the son of Bishop Alonzo Potter. Potter was a 1853 graduate of Union College in Schenectady. After his graduation, he studied architecture under Richard Upjohn and eventually worked for Upjohn from 1854 to 1856. After leaving Upjohn, Potter opened his own practice in Schenectady. An ecclesiastical specialist, Potter designed churches, particularly Episcopalian churches, in New York, New England, Florida, and other regions of the country.

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Scope and Content

The collection is made up of correspondence, photographs, ephemera, Potter's musical compositions, architectural sketches and some photographs of projects. The projects include residences as well as St. John's Cathedral in Jacksonville, Florida and The First Dutch Reform Church in Schenectady, NY.

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Arrangement

This collection is arranged in two series: Series I: Personal Papers; Series II: Personal Papers

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Administrative Information

Publication Statement

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Related Materials

Related Material

[Edward T. Potter Architectural Drawings](#), University of Florida Smathers Libraries, Special and Area Studies Collections.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Church buildings -- Florida -- Jacksonville
- Church buildings -- New York (State) -- Schenectady
- Architecture -- United States -- Designs and plans
- Potter, Edward Tuckerman, 1831-1904

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Collection Inventory

Series I: Personal Papers

Title/Description	Instances	
Correspondence, 1864-1905, 1965	box 01	folder 01
Scope and Contents		
Correspondents include:		
Scope and Contents		
William Payne to Rev. Henshaw; E.T. Potter to "Lawrence"; Herbert Spencer to E.T. Potter; Phillips Brook to E.T. Potter; C.N.P. to Ned Letterhead; A.R. Parson to Mr. R. Wagner-Baireuth; E.T. Potter to Mrs. Colt; E.T. Potter to Mrs. Howard Nott Potter; Frances, E. Ward to E.T. Potter; Frances E. Ward to E.T. Potter; E.T. Potter to and from John Shendan Zelie; E.T. Potter to Mrs. C.L.F. Robinson and Mrs. Allyn Cox.		
Office papers, 1864	box 01	folder 02
Scope and Contents		
Office papers of McDonald & Clinton.		
New Year's List, 1870	box 01	folder 03
Subject and Results of Study, ca. 1890s	box 01	folder 04
Scope and Contents		
Tentative list of E.T. Potter's Subjects and Results of Study to Feb. 1, 1898. Additional misc. project notes 1897 and most notes undated.		
List of Architectural Works, undated	box 01	folder 05
Musical compositions., 1879-1899	box 01	folder 06
Scope and Contents		
Misc. pertaining to E.T. Potter's musical compositions.		
List of musical and architectural works, undated	box 01	folder 07
Scope and Contents		
Penciled copy of ETP's own penciled list in his book of musical works and architectural works.		
<i>Xitria</i> , 1860-1903	box 01	folder 08

Scope and Contents

Notes made at various times 1860-1899. Dissertation by Potter dated May 13, 1903.

Photograph of E.T. Potter, 1869	box 01	folder 09
Miscellaneous Papers, undated	box 01	folder 10
Scope and Contents		
"The Rev. Elipahlet Notts 3rd wife and the one who helped ETP was Miss Urania E. Sheldon married Aug 8, 1842", and 3 copies of an unsigned handwritten poem with sketch.		
Engagement book, 1901	box 01	folder 11
Postcards, undated	box 01	folder 13
Scope and Contents		
Unaddressed postcards of Totnes, Old Gateway, Tatnes Guildhall, Totnes, East Gate. Also includes one handwritten note.		
Newspaper clipping, 1962	box 01	folder 14
Scope and Contents		
One newspaper clipping of Mark Twain's home in Hartford, Connecticut dated Aug. 26, 1962.		
Union College (Schenectady, NY), 1963	box 01	folder 15
Scope and Contents		
1 copy of the "Union College Symposium, Winter 1963; "Note: see page 9."		
Letters to the Editor, 1905	box 01	folder 16
Scope and Contents		
A. J. Bloom letter to the editor of NY Daily Tribune regarding E.T.Potter, 1 letter to the editor dated 1889 by 'ART', 1 article undated by Dr. Harold A. Larrabee titled "A Jamesian Adventure Revealed".		

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Series II: Professional Papers

Title/Description	Instances	
Typewritten lists of published works, 1871, 1898	box 01	folder 17

Scope and Contents

Also includes one receipt dated 1871.

Photograph of Organ, undated	box 01	folder 18
Scope and Contents		
Organ designed by Potter		
The Cedars (RI), 1871-1889	box 01	folder 19
Scope and Contents		
Includes sketchbook, list of family portraits at the Cedars, one b/w photograph with inscription on back-"The Cedars-Newport, RI- as modelled by E.T. Potter".		
Nutwood Residence, undated	box 01	folder 20
Scope and Contents		
5 photographs: 2-west front, 1-east front, 1-west lawn, 1-east lawn-north.		
Concentrated Residences, ca. 1880s-1890s	box 01	folder 21
The First Dutch Reform Church (Schenectady, NY), 1948	box 02	folder 01
Scope and Contents		
Schenectady-Union Star newspaper clipping on the church being destroyed by fire. Also includes 3 b/w photographs (dated Feb. 1948) of destroyed church.		
St. John's Cathedral (Jacksonville, FL), undated	box 02	folder 02
Scope and Contents		
Handwritten note: "Ch. Built by Edward T. Potter at Hartford, Conn.- Church of the Good Shepherd, design c-1870? This is St. John's Cathedral, Jacksonville, Fla. S.B.L."		
Portable Rooms, undated	box 02	folder 03
Scope and Contents		
Includes misc. studies, drafts, sketches. Also included, patent materials for portable rooms and other inventions.		
Tenement House Studies, 1866-1898, 1900	box 02	folder 04
Photo Album of Capitals, undated	box 03	

Scope and Contents

Inscribed by Sarah Landau, 1974, "These are the capitals of the Banker's screen is the First Reformed Dutch Church, Schenectady, NY. (Potter, arch)"

Ledger Book, ca. 1890s	box 03
Cash Book, 1867-1868	box 03

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