

Norman Morrison Isham, 1864-1943

A Finding Aid for  
Architectural Drawing, 1893,  
in  
The Architectural Archives, University of Pennsylvania

## Archival Description

### Descriptive Summary

- Title: Architectural Drawing, 1893
- Coll. ID: 055
- Origin: Norman Morrison Isham, 1864-1943, architect.
- Extent: Architectural drawings 1 sheet.
- Repository: The Architectural Archives, University of Pennsylvania  
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Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19104-6311  
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- Abstract: The collection comprises one architectural rendering, signed and dated [18]93, thought to be Isham's design for the Newport Country Club, a competition won by Whitney Warren.
- Indexes: This collection is included in the Philadelphia Architects and Buildings Project, a searchable database of architectural research materials related to architects and architecture in Philadelphia and surrounding regions:  
<http://www.philadelphiabuildings.org>
- Cataloging: Collection-level records for materials in the Architectural Archives may be found in RLIN Eureka, the union catalogue of members of the Research Libraries Group. The record number for this collection is PAUP01-A39.
- Publications: Monkhouse, Christopher P.; "Norman Isham (1864-1943);" *Buildings on Paper: Rhode Island Architectural Drawings: 1825-1945*; Providence, R.I.: Bell Gallery, List Art Center, Brown University, 1982. 103.

## Biographical/Historical Sketch

Rhode Island architect and author Norman Isham (1864-1943), known for his study and restoration of colonial buildings, was born in Hartford, Connecticut and educated at Brown University. He worked for six years in the Providence architectural firm of Stone, Carpenter & Wilson before he established his own office in 1893. Isham collaborated with Albert F. Brown on two important books, *Early Rhode Island Houses* and *Early Connecticut Houses*. Isham was made a Fellow of the American Institute of Architects in 1913.

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## Access Points for Indexing

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Architects--Archives.

Architectural design--History--19th century--Sources.

Architectural drawing--United States.

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## Administrative Information

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## Container list

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[055.1]	Newport Country Club; competition rendering, signed and dated [18]93 (1 original).