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## **PREFACE**

This document, the *Finding Aid to the Patricia R. Pratt Papers*, 1759-1994 (bulk dates 1968-1986), describes the collection of papers assembled by Patricia R. Pratt that relate to Cambridge preservation activities at Longfellow Park and the restoration and maintenance of the Vassall-Craigie-Longfellow House grounds by the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club. A draft of this finding aid was issued in March 1997 and was the result of a cataloging project carried out by the Northeast Museum Services Center during 1997. The draft finding aid is obsolete with the release of the current document.

The cataloger would like to express her gratitude towards staff at Longfellow National Historic Site for their assistance in carrying out this work. In particular, thanks must go to Site Manager Jim Shea and Museum Specialist Michele Clark.

This document represents many hours of work recording details about the items herein described. The reader should expect a reasonable degree of human error and consequently rely on personal observation of the actual items.

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# **INTRODUCTION**

This document, *The Finding Aid for the Patricia R. Pratt Papers, 1759-1994 (bulk dates 1968-1986)*, is the result of work by staff of Longfellow National Historic Site, the Northeast Museum Services Center, and the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities (working through cooperative agreement with the National Park Service). The project was sponsored by the Olmsted Center for Landscape Preservation and funded by the Cultural Resources Preservation Program. During March 1997 SPNEA Museum Technician Michelle Ortwein processed and cataloged this collection under the guidance of Jim Shea, Museum Curator, Longfellow National Historic Site, and Diane Godwin, Archivist, Northeast Museum Services Center, Boston, Massachusetts.

This finding aid describes the Patricia R. Pratt Papers, 1759-1994, bulk dates 1968-1986, (LONG 21810) relating to Cambridge preservation activities at Longfellow Park and the restoration and maintenance of the Vassall-Craigie-Longfellow House grounds by the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club. These files were donated to the Longfellow National Historic Site 24 January 1997. The bulk of the collection was given by Patricia R. Pratt (accession LONG-0083). Thirty-four photographs mounted on black paper were also donated at this time on behalf of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club (accession LONG-0084).

In March 1997 these papers were transferred to the Northeast Museum Services Center in Boston, Massachusetts, in one record center box and one oversize flat box. There was no overall organization to the collection, but some groups of materials were organized by subject or topic. It was decided to rearrange the papers according to five categories: correspondence, research, committees, collected materials, and oversize materials. During processing staples were removed and reports were removed from binders. Photographs, negatives, and slides were rehoused in unbuffered envelopes. Oversize items were unfolded or unrolled and stored in an oversize or, in the case of very large materials, in a map case drawer.

The collection was cataloged into the Automated National Catalog System (ANCS). The record will be converted to Re:discovery, the test replacement program for ANCS. This finding aid was created, including a description of the collection, collection listing, and photograph listing.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See oversize storage box 5, folder 6.

The finding aid is divided into five sections:

- •Part 1: Collection Description:
  - a scope and content note (or brief synopsis of the collection)
  - descriptions of the various series into which the collection has been organized
- •Part 2: Historical Note, which describes the activities of the Longfellow House Garden Committee of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club
- •Part 3: Collection Listing:
  - papers: a box and folder list
  - oversize boxes: a list of items which are larger than the legal size boxes which house the bulk of the collection
- •Appendix: a list of photographs interfiled in the collection
- •Bibliography.

# *PART 1:*

COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

## SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Patricia R. Pratt Papers, 1759-1994, bulk dates 1968-1986

Accession numbers: LONG-83, LONG-84.

Catalog number: LONG 21810.

Quantity: 4.81 linear feet (approximately 7,699 items).

Storage: 2 legal size archives boxes, 2 photo boxes, 1 oversize flat box, and 4

folders in 1 map drawer.

Location: Longfellow National Historic Site, 105 Brattle Street, Cambridge,

Massachusetts 02138, (617) 876-4491.

Description: The Patricia R. Pratt Papers, 1759-1994, bulk dates 1968-1986, were

assembled by Patricia Pratt while a member of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club. Over the years she served as President of the Club and Chairman of the Longfellow House Garden Committee. This collection documents the grounds of the Longfellow House before, during, and after restoration by the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club in 1969-1972; ongoing maintenance of the Longfellow House and garden; and

preservation and renovation of Longfellow Park. The papers consist primarily of documentation generated by the Longfellow House Garden

Committee and the Longfellow Park Committee.

The material includes correspondence, photographs, reports, pamphlets, newsletters, clippings, notes, and maps in the form of originals, carbons, and electrostatic images. All items dated prior to 1966 are copies of original documents. This collection includes oversize materials,

photographs, maps, plans, and clippings.

Cross-references: Other collections relevant to the grounds of the Longfellow House include

the Architectural Drawings and Blueprints Collection (LONG 16172) and

the Longfellow Trust Records (LONG 16174).

Organization: Patricia R. Pratt Papers, 1759-1994, bulk dates 1968-1986

- I. Correspondence
- II. Research
- III. Committees

Longfellow House Garden Committee Longfellow Park Committee

- IV. Collected MaterialsVarious MaterialsPhotographs, Negatives, and Slides
- V. Oversize Storage

# SERIES DESCRIPTIONS

## I. Correspondence, 1983-1986

This series consists of letters from various correspondents and copies of letters sent by Patricia Pratt which do not directly relate to the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club or the Longfellow Park Committee. These papers are organized alphabetically by the correspondent's name.

## *II. Research*, 1759-1994 (bulk dates 1963-1987)

These papers contain documents and manuscripts assembled during research of garden paths; the Longfellow House in Pascagoula, Mississippi; the Longfellow National Historic Site; the Vassall-Craigie-Longfellow House and grounds; and the Wadsworth-Longfellow House in Portland, Maine. Folders are arranged alphabetically by title. All papers within are arranged chronologically. Items which have no date are in the beginning of each folder. Oversize materials have been removed and placed in appropriate storage.

## III. Committees, 1922-1989

The papers in this series represent activities of the Longfellow House Garden Committee and the Longfellow Park Committee. All folders are arranged alphabetically by title under each subseries. All papers within are arranged chronologically. Items which have no date are at the beginning of each folder.

## A. Longfellow House Garden Committee, Cambridge Plant and Garden Club, 1967-1987

Papers in this sub-series pertain to work performed by the Longfellow House Garden Committee of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club. This sub-series documents restoration work of the grounds of the Longfellow House in 1969-1972 and ongoing maintenance of Longfellow House gardens by the club. This sub-series consists of correspondence, bills and receipts, legal documents, plans, minutes, plant lists, notes, reports, and work schedules. Oversize materials have been removed and placed in appropriate storage.

## B. Longfellow Park Committee, 1922-1989 (bulk dates 1968-1977)

Papers regarding the preservation and renovation of Longfellow Park are in this subseries and include bills and receipts, correspondence, legal documents, minutes, notes, plans, and reports. Oversize materials have been removed and placed in appropriate storage.

## IV. Collected Materials, 1909-1986 (bulk dates 1966-1979)

The materials in this series do not fit into the three categories above; it is presumed that most of these items were collected for their sentimental, memorial, informational, or other value. Items are arranged chronologically unless otherwise noted.

## A. Various Materials, 1909-1986 (bulk dates 1966-1979)

This sub-series includes invitations and programs, maps of Cambridge, newspaper clippings, pamphlets, and postcards. Postcard images include the Longfellow House, Longfellow Park, and the Washington Elm. Pamphlets are organized alphabetically by site. Oversize materials have been removed and placed in appropriate storage.

## B. Photographs, Negatives, and Slides, 1940-1975 (bulk dates 1966-1975)

Items in this sub-series illustrate the grounds of the Longfellow House and Longfellow Park. Several pictures show the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the gardens at the Longfellow House. Other topics include the gardens at the Adams House in Quincy, Massachusetts, and the William Brattle House in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Not all materials are housed in legal size folders. Most photographs, negatives, and slides are housed in two photo boxes. Oversize materials have been removed and placed in appropriate storage.

## 1. Photographs and Negatives (small)

This group of photographs and negatives measure 4"x5" or smaller. Each photograph is immediately followed by its corresponding negative, if in the collection. These photographs and negatives are housed in a small photo box.

#### 2. Negatives (small)

Negatives in this group measure 4"x5" or smaller. These negatives either do not have a print within this collection or the print is too large to fit in the small photo box. These are housed in a small photo box.

#### 3. Slides

This group represents all slides in the collection. These are housed in a small photo box.

#### 4. Photographs and Negatives (large)

Photographs and negatives in this group are between 4"x5" and 8"x10" in size. Each photograph is immediately followed by its corresponding negative, if in the

collection. These photographs and negatives are housed in a large photo box.

## V. Oversize Storage

Items in this series are grouped together because of their common size. All of these items are intellectually associated with the legal size materials in the main collection but are too large to be stored in standard legal size boxes. In addition to the boxed oversize papers, three items are stored in loose oversize folders within a map case drawer.

# *PART 2:*

HISTORICAL NOTE

## Longfellow House Garden Committee of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club

In May 1967 the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club appointed a committee to investigate the possibility of restoring the rear garden and lilacs along the front border at the Vassall-Craigie-Longfellow House at 105 Brattle Street in Cambridge, Massachusetts. The Longfellow House Garden Committee included eight members of the club, with Mrs. Pratt as Chairman.<sup>2</sup>

In January 1969 Diane Kostial McGuire, a freelance landscape architect, prepared "The Garden Book for the Longfellow House - 1969" and plans for the restoration of the gardens at the Longfellow House. In this same year about \$2,500 was raised for preliminary work on the garden such as pruning and removing weed trees, and the planting of an oval rose garden. Through an arrangement with the Cambridge Heritage Trust, all gifts for the purpose of restoring the gardens were tax-deductible. In 1970 the club entered and won the Founder's Fund Award from the Garden Club of America for the restoration of the gardens at the Longfellow House. All together, about \$20,000 was raised in contributions and awards to restore the gardens at the Longfellow House. Also in 1970 the club rebuilt trellises and arbors and restored the planting in Alice Longfellow's garden. In 1971 the side beds of the rear garden were removed and a lawn area was graded and installed. Many paths were redelineated and gravel-filled. The remainder of the rear garden was restored and boxwood borders were replanted, pruned and fed.

When the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club first became involved with the Longfellow House in 1967, the house was under the care of the Longfellow House Trust. The National Park Service assumed management of the Longfellow House and its property in December 1973. Beginning in 1975 a Memorandum of Agreement was drawn between the National Park Service and the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club for the supervision of all garden and grounds care at Longfellow National Historic Site. Funds for the procurement of plant materials and miscellaneous expenses, and funds to secure a subcontractor for actual grounds care were issued to the club by the National Park Service.

<sup>5</sup> "Restoration Project - Longfellow House Garden," n.d. *See* box 1, folder 15.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "Report of the Committee to Study the Longfellow House Garden," 3 October 1967. *See* box 1, folder 22.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See box 1, folder 22. See also Evans, Catherine, Cultural Landscape Report for Longfellow National Historic Site, vol. 1, Site History and Existing Conditions, North Atlantic Region, National Park Service, 1993.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See box 1, folders 15 and 17.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> "Memorandum of Agreement," 1975 and letter dated 19 November 1975 to Mrs. Pratt from Russell W.

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# *PART 3:*

# COLLECTION LISTING

Note: *See* appendix for listing of photographs interfiled in the collection. Folders containing photographs are noted in the collection listing.

## Series I. Correspondence

Box 1 (5.0" legal size)

## Folder:

- 1. Letters from Frank Buda, 1983-1986
- 2. Letters from Neil Lynch, 1986
- 3. Letters from Patricia Pratt, 1983

#### Series II. Research

- 4. Cambridge Plant and Garden Club, 1967-1987
- 5. Garden Paths, 1759-1971
- 6. Longfellow House, Pascagoula, Mississippi, n.d.
- 7. Longfellow National Historic Site, 1963-1986
- 8. Vassall-Craigie-Longfellow House and Grounds, 1777-1994, Part 1<sup>7</sup>
- 9. Vassall-Craigie-Longfellow House and Grounds, 1777-1994, Part 2
- 10. Wadsworth-Longfellow House, Portland, Maine, 1965

## **Series III. Committees**

## A. Longfellow House Garden Committee, Cambridge Plant and Garden Club

- 11. Agreement with National Park Service, 1975-1978
- 12. Bills and Receipts, 1969-1981
- 13. Correspondence, 1967-1987, Part 1
- 14. Correspondence, 1967-1987, Part 2
- 15. Fundraising Efforts, 1967-1972
- 16. Job Description (Gardener), c.1976
- 17. Material for Founder's Fund Award, 1970
- 18. Minutes, 1978-1980
- 19. Notes, n.d.
- 20. Plans, 1968-1977<sup>8</sup>
- 21. Plant Lists, 1972-1978
- 22. Reports, 1967-1969, Part 1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Includes photograph. *See also* oversize storage.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> See also oversize storage.

# Box 2 (5.0" legal size)

## Folder:

- 1. Reports, 1967-1969, Part 2<sup>9</sup>
- 2. Reports, 1967-1969, Part 3<sup>10</sup>
- 3. Reports, 1967-1969, Part 4
- 4. Work Schedules, 1969-1986

# **B.** Longfellow Park Committee

- 5. Bills and Receipts, 1971
- 6. Correspondence, 1968-1988
- 7. Memorandum of Understanding, 1977
- 8. Minutes, 1971-1975
- 9. Notes, n.d.
- 10. Plans, 1922-1989<sup>11</sup>
- 11. Reports, 1972-1976, Part 1
- 12. Reports, 1972-1976, Part 2

## **Series IV. Collected Materials**

## A. Various Materials

- 13. Invitations and Programs, 1957-1986
- 14. Maps, 1970<sup>12</sup>
- 15. Newspaper Clippings, 1969-1979<sup>13</sup>
- 16. Pamphlets, 1968-1976
- 17. Postcards, 1909-1970

## B. Photographs, Negatives, and Slides

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Includes photograph.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Includes photographs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> See also oversize storage.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> See also oversize storage.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> See also oversize storage.

18. Photographs, Negatives, and Slides, 1940-1975<sup>14</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> See also oversize storage and photo boxes 3 and 4.

## 1. Photographs and Negatives (small)

Box 3 (H 4.75", W 5.75", D 12.0" photo box)<sup>15</sup>

- 1. Far view of gate and path to rear garden. Printed July 1966.
- 2. Negative. Far view of gate and path to rear garden.
- 3. Close view of gate and path to rear garden. Printed July 1966.
- 4. Negative. Close view of gate and path to rear garden.
- 5. Potted geraniums and overgrown garden along path. Printed July 1966.
- 6. Negative. Potted geraniums and overgrown garden along path.
- 7. Sun dial in rear garden. Printed July 1966.
- 8. Negative. Sun dial in rear garden.
- 9. View of sundial (in spring/summer) in rear garden. Printed July 1966.
- 10. View of a tree in the side yard, in winter. Printed February 1969.
- 11. View of a large tree (American Linden?) in the backyard, in winter. Printed February 1969.
- 12. View of two large trees, in winter. Printed February 1969.
- 13. View of a fence, in winter. Printed February 1969.
- 14. View of side yard, in winter. Printed February 1969.
- 15. People standing in rear garden. Printed May 1969.
- 16. Longfellow House rear grounds from porch. In envelope dated August 1969.
- 17. View of the front lawn taken from the Longfellow House steps. In envelope dated August 1969.
- 18. 2 negatives. 1. View of front lawn taken from the Longfellow House steps. 2. Longfellow House rear grounds from porch.
- 19. View of the porch at the rear of the Longfellow House. In envelope dated August 1969.
- 20. Longfellow House rear garden from driveway. In envelope dated August 1969.
- 21. 2 negatives. 1. View of the porch at the rear of the Longfellow House. 2. Longfellow House rear garden from driveway.
- 22. Detail of semi-circular relief sculpture (above garden bench). In envelope dated August 1969.
- 23. View from back porch of three trellises along rear ell of Longfellow House (Alice's Garden). In envelope dated August 1969.
- 24. 2 negatives. 1. Detail of semi-circular relief sculpture (above garden bench). 2. View from back porch of three trellises along rear ell of Longfellow House (Alice's Garden).
- 25. View of three trellises along rear ell of Longfellow House (Alice's Garden). In envelope dated August 1969.
- 26. View of two trellises along rear ell of Longfellow House (Alice's Garden). In envelope

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> See also box 2, photo box 4, and oversize storage.

- dated August 1969.
- 27. 2 negatives. 1. View of three trellises along rear ell of Longfellow House (Alice's Garden). 2. View of two trellises along rear ell of Longfellow House (Alice's Garden).
- 28. View of Longfellow House from rear grounds. In envelope dated August 1969.
- 29. View of gate within overgrown trees (to rear garden). In envelope dated August 1969.
- 30. 2 negatives. 1. View of Longfellow House from rear grounds. 2. View of gate within overgrown trees (to rear garden).
- 31. View of two trellises on Longfellow grounds (Alice's Garden). In envelope dated August 1969.
- 32. View of trellises from back porch (Alice's Garden). In envelope dated August 1969.
- 33. 2 negatives. 1. View of two trellises on Longfellow grounds (Alice's Garden). 2. View of trellises from back porch (Alice's Garden).
- 34. Jimmy Kissane working on garden near trellises (Alice's Garden). Printed May 1970.
- 35. View of gate with historical marker. Printed May 1970.
- 36. View of sidewalk in front of Longfellow House. Printed May 1970.
- 37. Front facade of Longfellow House. Printed May 1970.
- 38. View of garden near trellises, from back porch (Alice's Garden). Printed May 1970.
- 39. Far view of garden and three trellises on rear ell of Longfellow House (Alice's Garden). Printed May 1970.
- 40. View of three trellises on rear ell of Longfellow House (Alice's Garden). Printed May 1970.
- 41. Front facade of Longfellow House. Printed May 1970.
- 42. View of trellises from back porch of Longfellow House (Alice's Garden). Printed June 1970.
- 43. View of a hot bed. Printed December 1970.
- 44. View of a greenhouse. Printed December 1970.
- 45. View of a wooden frame. Printed December 1970.
- 46. View of a greenhouse and hot bed. Printed December 1970.
- 47. View of rear garden and sundial. Printed April 1971.
- 48. View of fence and historical marker. Printed May 1972.
- 49. View of "No Parking" sign on Brattle Street, Longfellow House on left. Printed May 1972.
- 50. View of front lawn taken from the Longfellow House steps. Printed May 1972.
- 51. Front facade of Longfellow House, lilac and fence in foreground. Printed May 1972.
- 52. Front facade of Longfellow House. Printed May 1972.
- 53. 4 negatives. 1. Front facade of Longfellow House, lilac and fence in foreground. 2. Far view of front facade of Longfellow House. 3. View of upper Longfellow Park, from Brattle Street. 4. View of Longfellow House from upper Longfellow Park. Film dated May 28, 1972.
- 54. 4 negatives. 1. View of steps going from lower to upper Longfellow Park. 2. Man laying on bench (in lower Longfellow Park?). 3. View of path (in Longfellow Park?). 4. Back of Longfellow Monument as seen from upper Longfellow Park. Film dated May 28,

1972.

- 55. Far view of rear garden. Printed September 1972.
- 56. Far view of rear garden. Printed September 1972.
- 57. View of Longfellow House from rear garden. Printed September 1972.
- 58. View of rear garden. Printed September 1972.
- 59. Two women working in garden next to the back porch, one woman walking. Printed December 1972.
- 60. Four women working on garden near trees. Printed December 1972.
- 61. Three women working on garden under trees. Printed December 1972.
- 62. View of a garden, in winter. Printed January 1973.
- 63. View of a tree, in winter. Printed January 1973.
- 64. View of a large tree, in winter. Printed January 1973.
- 65. View through porch/piazza at Longfellow House. Printed October 1973.
- 66. View of a garden at the Adams House, Quincy, MA. Printed December 1975.
- 67. View of a garden and Adams House, Quincy, MA. Printed December 1975.
- 68. 2 negatives. 1. View of a garden at the Adams House, Quincy, MA. 2. View of a garden and Adams House, Quincy, MA.
- 69. View of garden, Adams House, and Library, Quincy, MA. Printed December 1975.
- 70. Negative. View of garden, Adams House, and Library, Quincy, MA.
- 71. Drawing of a yellow house. Caption: "1922 by Chas. Woodbury at Vose Galleries 1984."

## 2. Negatives (small)

- 72. Negative. Full view of Longfellow House.
- 73. Negative. View of front lawn from Longfellow House steps.
- 74. Negative. View of rear garden looking towards Longfellow House.
- 75. Negative. View of rear garden looking towards Longfellow House and Carriage House.
- 76. Negative. Far view of rear garden.
- 77. Negative. View of rear garden.
- 78. Negative. View of trees and bushes in side yard next to driveway.
- 79. Negative. View of front lawn from Longfellow House steps.
- 80. Negative. Side view of Longfellow House, from driveway.
- 81. Negative. View of front lawn from Longfellow House steps.
- 82. Negative. View of Longfellow Park taken from roof of Longfellow House.
- 83. Negative. View of Longfellow Park taken from roof of Longfellow House.
- 84. Negative. Far view of rear garden.
- 85. Negative. Far view of rear garden.
- 86. Negative. Far view of rear garden.
- 87. Negative. View of rear garden looking towards Longfellow House and carriage house.
- 88. 2 negatives. 1. Detail of carriage house. 2. Full view of carriage house.

- 89. 2 negatives. Two views of lower Longfellow Park, taken from Mt. Auburn Street.
- 90. 2 negatives. 1. View of fence in Longfellow Park. 2. View of Longfellow Park sign (on Mt. Auburn Street?).
- 91. 2 negatives. 1. View of lower Longfellow Park from lawn, looking toward Longfellow Memorial. 2. View of trees and fence in lower Longfellow Park.
- 92. 2 negatives. Two views of lower Longfellow Park.
- 93. 2 negatives. 1. View of upper Longfellow Park. 2. View of lower Longfellow Park.
- 94. 2 negatives. 1. View of Longfellow Memorial in Longfellow Park. 2. View of stairs going from lower to upper Longfellow Park.
- 95. Negative. View of a path.
- 96. Negative. View of path from inside gates facing house.
- 97. Negative. View of rear garden, looking toward house.
- 98. Negative. Far view of rear garden (overgrown).
- 99. Negative. View of rear garden (overgrown).
- 100. Negative. View of sundial on pedestal.
- 101. Negative. View of overgrown garden.
- 102. Negative. View of grounds.
- 103. Negative. View of rear garden looking towards Longfellow House. In envelope dated June 1967.
- 104. Negative. View of the gates to rear garden. In envelope dated June 1967.
- 105. Negative. Sundial. In envelope dated June 1967.
- 106. Negative. View of trellis (?). In envelope dated June 1967.
- 107. 2 negatives. Two views of the front facade of the Longfellow House. In envelope dated September 1969.

#### 3. Slides

- 108. Slide. Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden. Caption: "Plant Club at Longfellow House, Cambridge, A. Cattrell." Printed June 1971.
- 109. Slide. Far view of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden. Caption: "Plant Club at Longfellow House, Cambridge, A. Cattrell." Printed June 1971.
- 110. Slide. Far view of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden. Caption: "Plant Club, Longfellow House, Cambridge, A. Cattrell." Printed June 1971.
- 111. Slide. View of right front lawn. Printed May 1973.
- 112. Slide. View of daffodils along fence. Printed May 1973.
- 113. Slide. Full view of daffodils along fence/railing and path. Printed May 1973.
- 114. Slide. Full view of daffodils along fence/railing and path.
- 115. Slide. Full view of daffodils along fence/railing and path.
- 116. Slide. View of the front lawn taken from the Longfellow House steps.
- 117. Slide. Daffodils planted along railing. Caption: "Longfellow House Garden Cambridge, Mass., Camb. Plant & Garden Club." Printed May 1973.

- 118. Slide. Daffodils planted along railing.
- 119. Slide. Daffodils planted along railing.
- 120. Slide. View of daffodils under trees. Printed May 1973.
- 121. Slide. View of purple flowers under a tree. Printed May 1973.
- 122. Slide. View of a shady garden. Printed May 1973.
- 123. Slide. View of garden next to back porch. Printed May 1973.
- 124. Slide. View of plants. Printed May 1973.
- 125. Slide. View of flowering trees. Printed May 1973.
- 126. Slide. View of garden by porch. Printed May 1973.
- 127. Slide. View of the side of the Longfellow House. Printed May 1973.
- 128. Slide. View of daffodils along fence. Printed May 1973.
- 129. Slide. Front facade of Longfellow House. Printed May 1973.
- 130. Slide. Three people standing near sundial. Printed May 1973.
- 131. Slide. View of rear garden. Printed May 1973.
- 132. Slide. View of rear garden. Printed May 1973.
- 133. Slide. Two people working in garden. Printed May 1973.

## 4. Photographs and Negatives (large)

Box 4 (H 4.5", W 9.0", D 11.0" photo box)<sup>16</sup>

- 1. Close view of a trellis in Alice's Garden.
- 2. 3 negatives. 1. Close view of a trellis in Alice's Garden. 2. Close view of rear garden. 3. Detail of a section of the rear garden. In envelope dated September 1969.
- 3. Detail of lattice work on front fence.
- 4. Detail of Longfellow House front door.
- 5. Detail of Longfellow House front door.
- 6. 4 negatives. 1. Detail of lattice work on front fence. 2. View of front lawn from Longfellow House steps. 3. Detail of Longfellow House front door. 4. View of front lawn from side looking toward Brattle Street. In envelope dated September 1969.
- 7. View of gate and post to rear garden.
- 8. View of gate and post to rear garden.
- 9. 3 negatives. Three views of gate and post to rear garden. In envelope dated September 1969.
- 10. Far view of rear garden.
- 11. View of rear garden looking toward Longfellow House.
- 12. View of rear garden looking toward Longfellow House.
- 13. View of the rear garden looking towards the house.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> See also box 2, photo box 3, and oversize storage.

- 14. Far view of rear garden.
- 15. Detail of a section of the rear garden.
- 16. Detail of a section of the rear garden.
- 17. View of rear garden (overgrown).
- 18. Far view of rear garden.
- 19. View of bushes and trees in side yard near driveway.
- 20. View of bushes and trees in side yard near driveway.
- 21. View of front lawn taken from the Longfellow House steps. Verso: "Showing Longfellow Park from the front steps of the Longfellow House."
- 22. 5 prints on contact sheet. 1. View of sundial. 2. View of gates going into rear garden. 3. & 4. Two views of rear garden, looking towards the house. 5. View of door opening in trellis.
- 23. 2 prints on contact sheet. 1. double exposure. 2. Side view of Longfellow House, taken from a defective negative.
- 24. View of rear garden looking towards Longfellow House. Verso: "Henry W. Longfellow Place (Garden), Cambridge, Mass., View of Garden looking Southwest, Photo by Branzetti July 8, 1940." "Reproduced from the collections of the Library of Congress."
- 25. Aerial view of rear garden. Verso: "Henry W. Longfellow Place (Garden), Cambridge, Mass., View of Garden, looking Northeast, Photo by Branzetti July 8, 1940." "Reproduced from the collections of the Library of Congress."
- 26. 3 negatives. 1. Close view of rear garden. 2. & 3. Two details of gardens. In envelope dated September 1969.
- 27. 3 negatives. 1. & 2. Two views of backyard with ferns in foreground and rear garden in background. 3. View of American Linden tree in backyard. In envelope dated September 1969.
- 28. 3 negatives. 1. & 2. Two views of rear garden. 3. View of semi-circular relief sculpture above garden bench. In envelope dated September 1969.
- 29. 3 negatives. 1. & 2. Two views of front lawn from side, looking toward Brattle Street. 3. View of front lawn from side, looking toward Longfellow House. In envelope dated September 1969.
- 30. 12 prints on contact sheet. 12 different images of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden. Close views. Printed from negatives dated May 1971.
- 31. 4 negatives. 4 different images of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden. Close views. Left column on contact sheet in folder 30. In envelope dated May 1971.
- 32. 4 negatives. 4 different images of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden. Close views. Center column on contact sheet in folder 30. In envelope dated May 1971.
- 33. 4 negatives. 4 different images of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden. Close views. Right column on contact sheet in folder 30. In envelope dated May 1971.
- 34. 12 prints on contact sheet. 12 different images of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club

- working in the rear garden. Close and far views. Printed from negatives dated May 1971.
- 35. 4 negatives. 4 different images of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden. Close and far views. Left column on contact sheet in folder 34. In envelope dated May 1971.
- 36. 4 negatives. 4 different images of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden. Close views. Center column on contact sheet in folder 34. In envelope dated May 1971.
- 37. 4 negatives. 4 different images of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden. Close views. Right column on contact sheet in folder 34. In envelope dated May 1971.
- 38. 12 prints on contact sheet. 12 different images of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden. Close and far views. Printed from negatives dated May 1971. Third image down in right column published in the *Cambridge Chronicle*, June 10, 1971.
- 39. 4 negatives. 4 different images of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden. Close views. Left column on contact sheet in folder 38. In envelope dated May 1971.
- 40. 4 negatives. 4 different images of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden. Close and far views. Center column on contact sheet in folder 38. In envelope dated May 1971.
- 41. 4 negatives. 4 different images of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden. Close and far views. Right column on contact sheet in folder 38. In envelope dated May 1971. Third image down published in the *Cambridge Chronicle*, June 10, 1971.
- 42. Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden. Image published in the *Cambridge Chronicle*, June 10, 1971.
- 43. 12 prints on contact sheet. 12 different images of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden and in gardens near the house. Close and far views. Printed from negatives dated May 1972.
- 44. 4 negatives. 4 different images of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden and in gardens near the house. View of Alice's Garden. Close and far views. Left column on contact sheet in folder 43. In envelope dated May 1972.
- 45. 4 negatives. 4 different images of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in gardens near the house. Close views. Center column on contact sheet in folder 43. In envelope dated May 1972.
- 46. 4 negatives. 4 different images of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden. Close and far views. Right column on contact sheet in folder 43. In envelope dated May 1972.
- 47. 4 negatives. 1. Far view of Longfellow House from Longfellow Park. 2. View of "No Parking" sign on Brattle Street, Longfellow House on left. 3. View of front lawn taken from the Longfellow House steps. 4. View of path next to fence. Film dated May 28,

- 1972.
- 48. 4 negatives. 1. View of a yard (not at Longfellow House?). 2. View of a yard (not at Longfellow House?). 3. View of a trellis in Alice's Garden looking toward house. 4. view of trellis in Alice's Garden looking away from house. Film dated May 28, 1972.
- 49. Two women holding plants, standing next to rear garden. Printed from negative dated May 15, 1974.
- 50. 4 negatives. 4 different images of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden. Close views. In envelope dated May 15, 1974.
- 51. 4 negatives. 4 different images of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden. Close views. In envelope dated May 15, 1974.
- 52. 4 negatives. 4 different images of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden. Far views. In envelope dated May 15, 1974.
- 53. 12 prints on contact sheet. 12 different images of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden. Close views.
- 54. Three women planting in garden.
- 55. Full view of the William Brattle House (Cambridge, MA).
- 56. View of the courtyard in front of the William Brattle House (Cambridge, MA). House on left.
- 57. View of the courtyard in front of the William Brattle House (Cambridge, MA). House on left.
- 58. View of bench and corner garden in courtyard in front of the William Brattle House (Cambridge, MA). House on left.
- 59. View of the courtyard in front of the William Brattle House (Cambridge, MA), looking toward Brattle Street.
- 60. View of a river and riverbank (Charles River?).
- 61. Full view of a river (Charles River?).

# Series V. Oversize Storage

Box 5 (H 3.0", W 21.0", D 24.75" flat)

## Folder:

Oversized material removed from Series II. Research.

1. Vassall-Craigie-Longfellow House and Grounds, 1804-1815<sup>17</sup>

Oversized material removed from Series III. Committees.

- 2. Longfellow House Garden Committee: Plans, n.d. 18
- 3. Longfellow Park Committee: Plans, 1922-1989<sup>19</sup>

Oversized material removed from Series IV. Collected Materials.

- 4. Maps, 1970<sup>20</sup>
- 5. Newspaper Clippings, 1969-1979<sup>21</sup>
- 6. Photographs, Part 1<sup>22</sup>
- 7. Photographs, Part  $2^{23}$

## Map Drawer

Oversized material removed from Series III. Committees.

#### Folder:

1. Longfellow House Garden Committee: Plans<sup>24</sup>

2. Longfellow Park Committee: Plans, Part 1<sup>25</sup>

3. Longfellow Park Committee: Plans, Part 2<sup>26</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Related material in box 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Related material in box 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Related material in box 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Related material in box 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Related material in box 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Related material in boxes 2, 3, and 4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Related material in boxes 2, 3, and 4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Related material in box 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Related material in box 2.

Longfellow Park Committee: Plans, Part 3<sup>27</sup>

<sup>Related material in box 2.
Related material in box 2.</sup> 

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## APPENDIX:

## PHOTOGRAPH LISTING

The following photographs are filed within the collection and are not housed in photo boxes 3 and 4. Photographs in this listing are most often within reports or too large to fit in the photo boxes. Box and folder location precede the folder title in the following list. See also the folder listings of boxes 3 and 4 for a complete picture of the photographs in this collection.

### Series II. Research

Box 1, Folder 8: Vassall-Craigie-Longfellow House and Grounds, 1777-1994, Part 1

- Map of Cambridge, from "New England with Its Environs," London 1777.

#### Series III. Committees

## A. Longfellow House Garden Committee, Cambridge Plant and Garden Club

Box 2, Folder 1: Reports, 1967-1969, Part 2

- Plan of Longfellow Garden - Proposed Restoration, 1969. Adhered to paper.

Box 2, Folder 2: Reports, 1967-1969, Part 3

All photographs from the report "Restoration Project, Longfellow House Garden."

- View of gate and post to rear garden. Caption: "Entrance to the formal garden 1969." Adhered to paper. (page 1)
- View of the Longfellow House front facade. Adhered to paper. (page 3)
- View of rear garden (overgrown). Adhered to paper. (page 6)
- View of rear garden (overgrown). Adhered to paper. (page 6)
- View of rear garden looking toward Longfellow House. Adhered to paper. (page 7)
- View of bushes and trees in side yard near driveway. Adhered to paper. (page 8)
- View of the American Linden in the northeast area at rear of house. Adhered to paper. (page 9)
- View of Longfellow Park from the roof of the Longfellow House. Adhered to paper. (page 13)
- View of rear garden looking toward the house. Adhered to paper. (page 15)
- View of ferns. Adhered to paper. (page 15)
- View of doorway in fence. Adhered to paper. (page 15)
- Detail of lattice work on front fence. Adhered to paper. (page 15)
- Close view of sundial. Adhered to paper. (page 16)

## **Series IV. Collected Materials**

Box 2, Folder 18: Photographs, Negatives, and Slides, 1940-1975

- Detail of a section of the rear garden. Adhered to paper.
- Close view of rear garden. Adhered to paper.
- View of rear garden looking toward Longfellow House. Adhered to paper.
- 4 prints on contact sheet. 1. View of bushes and trees in side yard near driveway. 2. Far view of rear garden. 3. View of front lawn taken from the Longfellow House steps. 4. Far view of rear garden with tree in right foreground.
- 4 prints on contact sheet. Four different views of the rear garden. Close and far views.
- 3 prints on contact sheet. 1. View of front lawn taken from Longfellow House steps. 2. & 3. Far view of rear garden looking towards Longfellow House.

## V. Oversize Storage

Box 5, Folder 6: Photographs, Part 1

- View of backyard looking toward rear garden. Adhered to paper.
- 6 views of the rear garden (overgrown). Adhered to paper.
- Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in the rear garden. Image published in the *Cambridge Chronicle*, June 10, 1971. Adhered to paper.
- Three women planting in a garden. Adhered to paper.
- View of path (in Longfellow Park?). Negative in box 3, folder 54. Film dated May 28, 1972. Adhered to paper.
- View of steps going from lower to upper Longfellow Park. Negative in box 3, folder 54. Film dated May 28, 1972. Adhered to paper.
- Man laying on bench (in lower Longfellow Park?). Negative in box 3, folder 54. Film dated May 28, 1972. Adhered to paper.
- Far view of front facade of Longfellow House. Negative in box 3, folder 53. Film dated May 28, 1972. Adhered to paper.
- Back of Longfellow Monument as seen from upper Longfellow Park. Negative in box 3, folder 53. Film dated May 28, 1972. Adhered to paper.
- View of upper Longfellow Park, from Brattle Street. Negative in box 3, folder 53. Film dated May 28, 1972. Adhered to paper.
- View of Longfellow House from upper Longfellow Park. Negative in box 3, folder 53. Film dated May 28, 1972. Adhered to paper.
- View of front lawn from Longfellow House steps. Adhered to paper.
- View of rear garden (overgrown). Adhered to paper.
- View of rear garden (overgrown). Adhered to paper.
- Far view of rear garden. Adhered to paper.
- View of rear garden looking toward Longfellow House. Adhered to paper.
- Cambridge Plant and Garden Club working in rear garden. Adhered to paper.
- Two women holding plants, standing next to rear garden. *See also* box 4, folder 49, printed from negative dated May 15, 1974. Adhered to paper.

- Three women working on garden under trees. *See also* box 3, folder 61, printed December 1972. Adhered to paper.
- Two women working on the rose garden. Adhered to paper.
- Two women working in garden next to the back porch, one woman walking. *See also* box 3, folder 59, printed December 1972. Adhered to paper.
- Four women working on garden near trees. *See also* box 3, folder 60, printed December 1972. Adhered to paper.
- View of a tree, in winter. Adhered to paper.
- View of a tree, in winter. Adhered to paper.
- View of two trellises along rear ell of Longfellow House (Alice's Garden), taken from back porch. Adhered to paper.
- View of two trellises (Alice's Garden), looking toward house. Adhered to paper.
- View of side yard. Adhered to paper.
- View of side yard along piazza. Adhered to paper.

## Box 5, Folder 7: Photographs, Part 2

- Aerial view of rear garden. Adhered to grey board. Signed "Paul Birnbaum" on matte.
- View of three trellises along rear ell of Longfellow House (Alice's Garden). Adhered to grey board.
- View of side yard. Adhered to grey board. Signed "Paul Birnbaum" on matte.
- View of the back yard looking towards the house, through the gates to the rear garden. Adhered to grey board. Signed "Paul Birnbaum" on matte.
- View of the rear garden looking toward the house. Adhered to grey board. Signed "Paul Birnbaum" on matte.
- View of the rear garden looking toward the house. Adhered to grey board. Signed "Paul Birnbaum" on matte.
- Full view of carriage house. Adhered to grey board.
- View of doorway through fence, looking toward rear garden. Adhered to grey board. Signed "Paul Birnbaum" on matte.
- Aerial view of rear garden. Adhered to grey board. Signed "Paul Birnbaum" on matte.

## Map Case (Basement), Map Drawer C, Folder 2

- Longfellow Monument.
- Longfellow Park from roof of Longfellow House.



