

**PROVIDENCE PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
**Rhode Island Collection**  
**057-03**  
**Banigan Mansion Photograph Album**  
**Circa 1900**

**OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION**

Number: 057-03

Title: Banigan Mansion Photograph Album

Creator: Unknown

Dates: Circa 1900

Quantity: 1 photograph album (0.5 linear feet)

**ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

Acquisition: Unknown.

Accruals: No accruals are expected.

Custodial history: Unknown.

Processed by: The collection was processed in 2017 by Claire Uziel.

Conservation: Interleave acid-free paper to prevent the images from further fading.

Language: Materials are in English.

**RIGHTS AND ACCESS**

Access: This collection is open under the rules and regulations of the Providence Public Library, Rhode Island Collection department.

Preferred Citation: Researchers are requested to use the following citation format: *Banigan Mansion Photograph Album, Rhode Island Collection, Providence Public Library*

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**INFORMATION FOR RESEARCHERS**

Separated material None.

Published descriptions Not applicable.

Location of originals	Not applicable.
Location of copies	Not applicable.
Publication note	Not applicable.
Subject headings	Banigan, Joseph Architecture, Domestic. Architecture, Domestic--New England. House furnishings. Interior decoration. Carriage houses. Furniture. Wooden ceilings. Ceilings--Decoration. Dogs--Housing. Portrait photography. Gas light fixtures, Victorian. Paintings (visual works). ATT. Porte-cochère. AAT.

**SEE ALSO** Not applicable.

### **HISTORICAL NOTE**

Joseph Banigan (1839-1898) was born in Ireland. Escaping the potato famine, he arrived in the United States in 1847. He went on to become a rubber magnate and Rhode Island's first Irish-Catholic millionaire. He was an active philanthropist and served on many boards. He built the Banigan Building, known as Providence's first skyscraper, at 10 Weybosset Street in 1896 as his headquarters.

His first house at Angell Street & Wayland Avenue, built in 1875, was moved to 9 Orchard Street. The mansion depicted in this album was built on the site in 1897 by architects Martin & Hall. Banigan died the following year and the house was left to his widow. It was demolished in 1921 so that Wayland Manor, an apartment building, could be built.

### **SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE COLLECTION**

The collection consists of one photograph album, circa 1900, of the Joseph Banigan Mansion built in 1897 by Martin & Hall at 510 Angell Street in Providence, Rhode Island. Includes two exterior and 13 interior photographs of home, one of the exterior of the carriage house, and one of a dog outside its dog house.

### **ORGANIZATION OF THE COLLECTION**

The collection is entirely contained within a single photograph album.