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Record Group 2. Loganian Library, 1700-1960, undated

Series 1. Administrative Records, 1700-1960, undated

Scope and Contents

Before his death, James Logan decided that his large collection of books should become a public institution, and his trustees created the Loganian Library in 1754. It operated independently until 1792, when James Logan, Jr. asked the Pennsylvania General Assembly to annex it to the Library Company of Philadelphia. From 1792 through at least the end of the 19th century, the Library Company managed the Loganian Library as a separate-but-related entity within its operations.

This series includes a range of administrative records for the Loganian Library, including the Logan deeds of trust, trustee minute books, treasurer's records, receipts, checkbooks, and real estate records.

The Loganian Trust was funded through ground rents on land it owned. Correspondence, reports, court documents, and other records relate to these ground rents paid on the Bucks County lands known as the Dean tract, Ingham tract, and others over time. Several printed pamphlets relate to a court case, the Library Company v. Andrew J. Beaumont et al, which confirmed that land appraisals could be used to increase ground rents.

Items of interest in this series include an account book from before its association with the Library Company (Box 27, Folder 2); a simple building plan of the Loganian Library with a view of the roof from above (Box 27, Folder 6); and a detailed 20th-century re-creation of the accounting for the Loganian Library trust from its inception in 1792 through the end of 1959 (Box 28, Folders 27-29).

Note that some Loganian administrative information may be found within the Library Company records in Record Group 1; documents that described both institutions were filed with the relevant series in the Library Company's record group. Records related to collection materials and/or circulation can be found in Series 2.

Title/Description	Instances	
Deed of land and large charcoal works in Airth, Scotland, from Elizabeth Elphinstone, with consent of her husband William Dundas, to John Logan and his heirs (12482.F.583), 1700-12-20	box 27 (MSS00270)	folder 1
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