

Passion Pursued with Discipline.

Prints Collection of Thomas W. Mussen



Reverend Thomas W. Mussen (1832-1901), former McGill student was a man of culture and erudition, who possessed a large collection of early printed books, roman coins, and old master prints that he gathered by great diligence and economy. His final wish was that his collection was to be given to the McGill University. In 1919, the major part of Mussen's collection was donated to the McGill Library by his widow and daughter. His prints collection reflects the professional and intellectual interests of its former owner, an Anglican rector with a deep interest in history and art, with four major themes: "Christianity, Bible", "Holy Family", "Ancient History/ Mythology", and "Nature, Landscapes."

"Art collecting is a passion pursued with discipline and
Science is a discipline pursued with a passion." - Arthur Sackler.



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McLennan Library Building, Fourth Floor, 3459 McTavish Street.

Exhibit curated by Svetlana Kochkina, Liaison Librarian,
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