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Title Cheneys at Emily "Milly" Cheney's Coming Out Party

Date about 1882

Primary Maker Robert Cheney

Medium Photography: black and white photograph on paper and cardstock

Description Posed portrait of three rows of young men and women at the time of

Emily "Milly" Cheney's debutante ball or coming out party. They are standing

outside in front of the side of a building, which has flowering vines growing on it.

There are several rugs on the ground for people in the front row to sit on.

Standing in the back row, left to right are: Walter Bowden Cheney (1864-1913),

Robert Cheney (1859-1935), Harriet Bowen Cheney (1867-1938), Louis Richmond

Cheney (1859-1944), Bess Cheney (probably Elizabeth Cheney (1865-1898)),

William Coates Cheney (1864-1941), Helen Cheney (1868-1937), Wells Wadsworth

Cheney (1857-1938), Emily "Milly" Cheney wearing a Worth gown, Edward "Ned"

Moyle Cheney (1862-1888) and Herman Cheney (probably Charles Herman

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Cheney (1866-1961)). Seated in the middle row are: Frank Cheney, Jr. (1860-1957), Maude Cheney (probably Alice Maude Cheney (1862-1942)), May Cheney (probably Mary "May" Bissell Cheney (1866-1890)), Alice Barrett Cheney (1858-1908), Harry Grant Cheney (1852-1918), Mary "Polly" Cheney (1855-1934), George Herbert Cheney (1861-1929) and Florence Cheney (probably Florence Douglas Cheney (1864-1916)). Sitting on the ground in the front row are: Charles Cheney, II (1866-1942), Ellen "Nell" Waitstill Cheney (1862-1938), Harry Richmond Cheney (1869-1947) and Bessie Cheney (probably Catherine Bessie Cheney (1861-1926)). The photograph is mounted on a very thick piece of cardstock, or photographer's cardboard, that has gilt beveled edges.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x width): $8\,9/16\times13\,1/8$ in. (21.7 \times 33.3 cm) Mount (height x width): $9\times13\,7/8$ in. (22.9 \times 35.2cm)