

New Century Club
124 S. Twelfth Street
Philadelphia
Philadelphia County
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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE PENNSYLVANIA		COUNTY PHILADELPHIA	TOWN OR VICINITY PHILADELPHIA
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) NEW CENTURY CLUB			HABS NO. PA-1522
SECONOARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE			
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 124 S. Twelfth Street			
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1891		ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Minerva Parker (later Minerva Parker Nichols), architect	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) An early architectural work by a woman architect. Founded in 1877, the New Century Club of Philadelphia is one of the nation's oldest women's clubs devoted to the protection and promotion of women's interests and general social questions. The structure was demolished in 1973.			
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)			
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Buff brick with Indiana limestone trim.			
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Measured approx. 40' (five-bay front) X 35' with three-story rear wing; four stories (originally three-and-a-half)			
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Asymmetrical front facade with curved and semi-hexagonal bays; center cross-gable with crockets and large fanlight; wood rear sections (plainer than front); mansard roof (original tiled and with dormers, which are visible in a HABS photocopy of ca. 1892 photo) and rear shed roof; light stone trim			
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLDOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Center-hall plan with front stairs. See accompanying HABS photos for views of various interior elements.			
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Original dormers removed, recessed balcony, fanlight and interior altered 1907.			
PRESENT CONOITION AND USE			
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE			
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING DN NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Webster, Richard. <u>Philadelphia Preserved</u> . Philadelphia Temple University Press, 1976.			
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