



North Side: East 37th Street - Madison to Park



**21 Tax Block/Lot #867/25
East 37th Street**

23 Tax Block/Lot #867/26

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Three four-story-and-basement Italianate brownstone row houses (builder David Robins; No. 25 in 1860, Nos. 21 and 23 in 1862) Only No. 21 retains its stoop. In the conveyance, Robins agreed not to build stables, manufacturing buildings, or a church on the property. All three have long since been converted to multiple dwellings. No. 21 was owned for many years by John B. Trevor. No. 23 is a stately 19th century brownstone opposite the Morgan Library. No. 25 was home from the 1890s to the 1930s to U.S. Senator Hamilton F. Kean and his wife, daughter of “art collector and philanthropist” (NYT) Grenville L. Winthrop, and brother of Beekman Winthrop, one-time governor of Puerto Rico. Robert Winthrop Kean, in his memoirs, recalled his family history: “Mr. Trevor, I believe, had been a partner of J.P. Morgan & Co. On March 10, 1893 - six months before I was born - Uncle Gren had a daughter, Emily. He was living at that time at 10 East 37th Street. Aunt Mary's mother, Mrs. Trevor, had a house at 21 East 37th Street.... she provided a home for the young Keans at 87 Park Avenue. Here they lived in the winter until about 1897, when my grandmother did over a larger house for them, at 25 East 37th Street... My mother used to tell a story about one of the grandfather clocks which was in the hall at 25 East 37th Street, and which I now have in Washington.” Source: New York Registers Office, Liber Deeds, L. 845 P. 318, L 834 P. 54; New York tax assessments, Ward 21, 1859 through 1863; *Robert Winthrop Kean, Fourscore Years, My First Twenty-Four*, 1974, pp. 51, 94, 125; NYT 5/15/1896 p.12, 1/14/1938 p.26, 11/11/1940 p.19.

