

**EAST 38TH STREET** *Madison Avenue to Park Avenue (South Side)*



**40 East 38th Street Tax Block/Lot # 867-42**

Acquired in 1991 by the adjoining Kitano Hotel at 42 East 38<sup>th</sup> Street (aka 64 Park Avenue, see). An older row house with an updated façade (Parrish & Schroeder, 1901-02, for Arthur B. Emmons). The Beaux-Arts façade, clad entirely in limestone, includes a two-story bay window and a mansard roof. By 1946, the building had become a multiple dwelling. Before its refacing in 1901-02, the house had been the residence of Mrs. Mary Scott Dimmick, niece of the deceased wife of former United States President Harrison, who lived there “with her sister, Mrs. Parker... She declines to see caller....” Lieutenant J.H. Parker had formerly been “private secretary to President Harrison during his Administration” (NYT). Much social gossip surrounded the visits of President Harrison to his late wife’s niece at No. 40; they eventually married, in 1896. Later the house served as residence to Mrs. Juliet Pierpont Morgan, sister of J.P. Morgan Jr. In 1950, the house passed out of residential use: “The five-story building at 40 East Thirty-eighth Street has been purchased as the future home of the United States Golf Association offices as well as its golf museum and library. The building will be known as ‘Golf House’ for which contributions have been solicited by the organization since the beginning of the year” (NYT). The club moved out in 1972. Source: ALT 2011-01, C of O 31478-46; Chicago Daily Tribune 12/11/1895 p. 2; NYT 4/7/1896 p. 1, 12/29/1923 p.5, 6/29/1950 p. 52, 1/27/1991 p. R1.