## Online Exhibit

## **Chevy Chase Reads: The Chevy Chase Literary Club**

## Jesse and Grace Bowen were members of the Chevy Chase Literary Club

Bowen, Jesse (1865-1948) and Grace Robertson Bowen (1873-1962): Grace Bowen was the sister of Thomas E. Robertson. Along with her sister-in-law Mary Robertson, she was one of the founders of the Chevy Chase Reading Class and later an early member of the Literary Club with her husband Jesse. She was also active in the Frances Crittenton Circle, All Saints Episcopal Church, and the American Red Cross. Jesse Bowen, a lawyer, worked for the Bureau of Labor Statistics where he was considered an expert statistician. They lived at 5 W. Lenox Street before moving in with the Robertson family at 6 W. Melrose.



Jesse and Grace Bowen's house at 5 West Lenox Street. This photograph was taken c. 1912, after they moved to West Melrose Street. CCHS 2008.282.07.