

M058 Additions and alterations to Prestwick Free Church

Introduction

John Honeyman & Keppie designed a bell tower on the W. (front) elevation and small extension at the E. (rear) of this 1874 church by James Salmon & Son.¹ They also carried out interior alterations and decoration. The tower is crowned by a corbelled balustrade with corner coronets, and has a relief carving of the burning bush – motif of the Free Church – on its W. elevation. Tenders were originally submitted in early 1892 but work did not proceed until 1895.

Authorship: This is one of over 270 jobs carried out in the office of John Honeyman & Keppie (Honeyman, Keppie & Mackintosh from 1901) during Mackintosh's time there. Mackintosh undoubtedly worked on many of these, but there is no specific evidence for his involvement in this case. Given John Keppie's personal connections with Prestwick, it seems likely that he was responsible for the work.

Alternative names: Prestwick North Church; Monkton and Prestwick North Parish Church.

Cost from job book: £1034 9s 9d

Status: Standing building

Current name: Monkton and Prestwick North Parish Church

Current use: Church (2014)

RCAHMS Site Number: NS32NE 84

Headline Dates: NS 35302 26295

Chronology

1891

8 September: 'Sent scale drawing of tower & spire & stone alteration on Hall & 2 estimates for heating apparatus'.¹

1892

11 January: Contractor tenders submitted for work at tower, spire and 'back wing'.²

1895

8 August: New tender submitted for work at tower, spire and 'back wing'.³

21 August: Tender accepted.⁴

1896

6 July: Earliest payment to contractor.⁵

16 August: Measurer paid.⁶

Description

People

Clients:

- no data in job book

Contractors:

- Bennet Furnishing Company

- Thomas Brown
- William Guthrie
- James Hutcheson
- McCulloch & Co.
- John Ramsey
- James Stott & Co.

Job Book

The job books of Honeyman & Keppie (later Honeyman, Keppie & Mackintosh) are now held by The Hunterian, University of Glasgow and include four volumes related to the Mackintosh period. The books were used by the firm to keep a project-by-project, day-by-day record of contractors, suppliers and expenditure. The name of a project and/or client is usually at the top of the left-hand page, followed by information about tradesmen who tendered. The name of the measurer (quantity surveyor) is usually at the top of the right-hand page, followed by information about payments to contractors and suppliers. All of the data for M058 is entered in the tables below.

Page numbering is not consistent in the job books. Sometimes a single number refers to a double-page spread and sometimes each page is individually numbered. Here, each image of a double-page spread is identified by the number given at the top of the left-hand page. (Images of all of the pages from the four job books can be found at [Browse Job Books](#), [Visit Book](#) and [Cash Book](#).)

The following information about M058 has been extracted from the job books:



Job book: 53059
Page: 168

Client: no data in job book

Measurer: John Ramsey

Tenders:

Contractor	Type	Address	Date	Value	Accepted
J. & W. Meikle	artificer	Ayr	11 January 1892	£986 11s 5d ¹	no
William Guthrie	artificer	Prestwick	11 January 1892	£693 16s 9½ ²	no
D. & J. Milligan	artificer	Ayr	11 January 1892	£974 9s 1d ³	no
Andrew Wylie	artificer	Ayr	11 January 1892	£847 0s 0d ⁴	no
Andrew Hamilton	artificer	Ayr	11 January 1892	£875 7s 9d ⁵	no
William Guthrie	artificer	Prestwick	8 August 1895	£716 18s 3½ ⁶	yes (21 August 1895)
Galbraith & Winton	tiler	no data in job book	no data in job book	£5 0s 0d ⁷	yes (17 March)
Bennet Furnishing Company	furniture		no data in job book	£125 18s 0d ⁸	yes (12 April)
James Stott & Co.	gasfitting	no data in job book	no data in job book	£13 15s 0d ⁹	yes (2 May)
Mr Frazer	painter	Prestwick	no data in job book	no data in job book	no
J. B. Bennett & Sons	painter	Ayr	no data in job book	no data in job book	no
Willock	painter	no data in job book	no data in job book	no data in job book	no
Johnstone	painter	no data in job book	no data in job book	no data in job book	no
John Orr & Sons	painter	Glasgow	no data in job book	no data in job book	no
McCulloch & Co.	painter	no data in job book	no data in job book	no data in job book	yes (no data in job book)
H. L. Anderson & Co.	painter	no data in job book	no data in job book	no data in job book	no
J. & W. Guthrie	painter	no data in job book	no data in job book	no data in job book	no
T. C. Bowie & Co.	painter	no data in job book	no data in job book	no data in job book	no

Payments (trades):

Name	Type	Payment out sum
McCulloch & Co.	painter	Payment date: 6 July 1896 £169 1s 5d ¹⁰
William Guthrie	artificer	Payment date: 22 July 1896 £687 4s 2d ¹¹
Bennet Furnishing Company	furnisher	Payment date: 23 July 1896 £6 14s 0d ¹²
James Stott & Co.	gasfitting	Payment date: 4 August 1896 £63 2s 2d ¹³

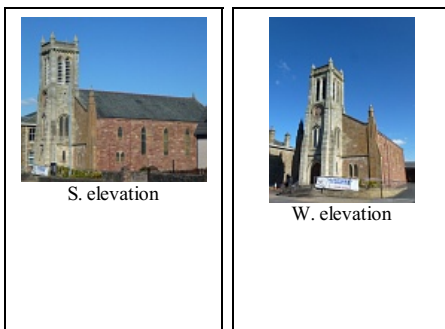
Payments (suppliers):

Name	Service	Payment date	Payment sum
James Hutcheson	'holland blinds'	23 July 1896	£10 10s 0d
Thomas Brown	'ventilators'	23 July 1896	£37 18s 0d

Measurer fee payment: £36 4s 0d (16 August 1896)

Documents

Images



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Notes:

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8: Including £741 3s 11d for 'tower', £137 5s 0d for 'spire' and £108 2s 6d for 'back wing'.

- 9:** Including £516 5s 2d for 'tower', £102 10s 2d for 'Spire' and £75 1s 5½ for 'back wing'.
- 10:** Including £723 8s 4d for 'tower', £131 7s 6d for 'spire' and £119 13s 3d for 'back wing'.
- 11:** Including £584 0s 5¼ for 'tower', £180 14s 0d for 'spire' and £82 5s 6¾ for 'back wing'.
- 12:** Including £651 1s 1d for 'tower', £120 6s 6d for 'spire' and £104 0s 2s for 'back wing'.
- 13:** Including £538 17s 10d for 'tower', £88 19s 7d for 'spire' and £88 0s 10½ for 'back wing'.
- 14:** For 'tile and fitting vestibule up'.
- 15:** For '4 dozen chairs 2/9½ each.'
- 16:** Entry three lines above for '2nd Est.' of £10 9s 0d for 'gasfittings in Ch. and Hall'.
- 17:** Including £93 3s 5d for 'Painter work' of church including 'vestibule and porch, Officer's room, sundries, outside work etc.'; and £37 11s 2d for 'Upholstery, carpets etc.' Measurer's fee £6 10s 0d.
- 18:** Including £10 for 'jobbing'.
- 19:** For '4 chairs with bookboards'.
- 20:** For 'Gas brackets, gasoliers, ventilators etc.'.

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