

M078 Additions and alterations to St Thomas Wesleyan Methodist Church

Introduction

John Honeyman & Keppie added a large church hall, kitchen and outbuildings in the grounds of the church, made minor alterations to its interior and built a row of five single-storey shops on the Gallowgate.

Authorship: Annotations in Mackintosh's hand can be seen on the drawings submitted to the Glasgow Dean of Guild Court.

Cost from job book: £1842 15s 5d ¹

Status: Demolished

RCAHMS Site Number: NS66SW 308

Grid reference: NS 6091 6462

Chronology

1822–3

Church built as a Chapel of Ease to St John's Burgh Church of Scotland in Calton. The church is attributed to John Baird I. ¹

1851

The church is acquired by the Methodist congregation and renamed St Thomas Wesleyan. The street to the E. is renamed Wesleyan Street. ²

1892

24 November: Glasgow Dean of Guild Court approval for church hall and single-storey shops granted. ³

13 December: Work on site under way. ⁴

1894

24 August: Work on site complete. ⁵

1973

Church closes due to population decline in the area. ⁶

1976

Church, hall and shops demolished. ⁷

Description

John Honeyman & Keppie were commissioned in 1892 to add a large hall and associated outbuildings and to make internal alterations to the church. The church was built in the 1820s and acquired by a Wesleyan Methodist congregation in 1851. ¹ On the 1858 O.S. map it appears set back from the busy Gallowgate behind a garden, in an area dominated by rope works, ironworks and a pottery. ² The commercial value of the garden in this industrial and highly populated district seems to have been realised: five shops were added on the site of the garden, directly on the Gallowgate.

The hall was inserted at the S. of the site, attached to the church and apparently using the walls of existing neighbouring buildings. It was lit by a glazed roof, like the many industrial buildings nearby. The drawings submitted to the Glasgow Dean of Guild Court show a very plain interior with a dais at the E. end and wall panelling to the height of a moulded chair rail.

The five shops on the Gallowgate were modest: each comprised a front and back room and an exterior court behind. The shopfronts and doors were almost entirely glazed with slender wooden frames. A timber fascia extended the length of the five shops, over the arched, gated entrance to the church.

Several hands are in evidence on the drawings submitted to the Dean of Guild Court dated October 1892. Mackintosh annotated these drawings and may have been responsible for the titles on some of the sheets.

Photographs from February 1976 show some alterations to the shopfronts and telling signs of decay. By this time, this area was in severe decline. The church had closed three years earlier and was demolished along with the shops later in 1976. The church and adjacent streets made way for the Crownpoint Road Sports Complex.³

People

Clients:

- Reverend George Adcock

Contractors:

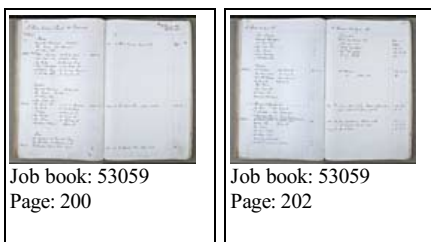
- H. S. Bathgate
- James Boyd & Sons
- William Douglas
- George Laird & Son
- Robert Lumsden
- John MacKinnon
- N. Ramsey & Sons
- George. W. Sellars & Sons
- R. Stevenson & Son
- James Stott & Co.

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 M078 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 M078 has been extracted from the job books:



Client: no data in job book

Measurer: N. Ramsey & Sons

Measurer address: St Vincent Street

Tenders:

Contractor	Type	Address	Date	Value	Accepted
Warnock & Horsburgh	mason	Rutherglen	5 October 1892	£430 0s 0d	no
Thomas Brown	mason	193 Rottenrow	5 October 1892	430 0s 0d	no
William Shaw & Son	mason	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£475 0s 0d	no
Robert Lumsden	mason	34 Finlay Drive	5 October 1892	£413 15s 0d	yes (1 November 1892)
Alexander Eadie & Son	mason	Cathcart Road	5 October 1892	£527 0s 0d	no

James Parker	mason	60 Bluevale Street	5 October 1892	£480 0s 0d	no
Thow & Campbell	mason	11 East Miller Street	5 October 1892	£490 0s 0d	no
McAlister Brothers	mason	25 Rutland Crescent	5 October	£481 0s 0d	no
D. McNee & Co.	mason	79 East John Street	5 October 1892	£434 0s 0d	no
E. C. Morgan & Son	mason	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£500 16s 11d	no
Warnock & Horsburgh	wright	Rutherglen	5 October 1892	£1419 0s 0d	no
Thomas Brown	wright	193 Rottenrow	5 October 1892	£1340 0s 0d	no
William Shaw & Son	wright	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£1436 0s 0d	no
Alexander Eadie & Son	wright	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£1548 0s 0d	no
George Laird & Son	wright	10 Ann Street, Bridgeton	5 October 1892	£1333 13s 4d	yes ()
James Ingles	wright	12 Emily Place	5 October 1892	£1356 0s 0d	no
E. Gibbon	wright	15 Henrietta Street	5 October 1892	no data in job book	no
John Russell	wright	62 Sword Street	5 October 1892	no data in job book	no
John Allan	wright	60 Reidvale Street	5 October 1892	£1427 10s 0d	no
Hutcheson & Grant	wright	Gardner Street	5 October 1892	£1510 0s 0d	no
E. C. Morgan & Son	wright	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£1340 0s 0d	no
John Anderson	slater	56 Green Street, Calton	5 October 1892	£102 0s 0d	no
John Rankin	slater	30 Abercrombie Street	5 October 1892	£108 2s 5d	no
R. Stevenson & Son	slater	25 Risk Street	5 October 1892	£96 0s 0d	yes
Warnock & Horsburgh	slater	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£106 4s 11d	no
William Shaw & Son	slater	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£90 0s 0d	no
Alexander Eadie & Son	slater	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£105 0s 0d	no
Thomas Brown	slater	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£113 0s 0d	no
A. & D. MacKay	slater	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£126 0s 0d	no
J. McOwat & Son	slater	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£110 0s 0d	no
H. S. Bathgate	plasterer	540 Duke Street	5 October 1892	£190 2s 4d	yes
John Drummond	plasterer	92 Sidney Street	5 October 1892	no data in job book	no
R. A. McGilvray	plasterer	West Regent Street	5 October 1892	£217 7s 9d	no
George Rome & Co.	plasterer	Waterloo Street	5 October 1892	£210 0s 0d	no

Thomas Brown	plasterer	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£189 0s 0d	no
Alexander Eadie & Son	plasterer	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£230 15s 0d	no
William Shaw & Son	plasterer	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£222 12s 11d	no
Warnock & Horsburgh	plasterer	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£202 7s 5½d	no
John Grieve	plumber	460 Duke Street	5 October 1892	no data in job book	no
T. Twaddle	plumber	309 Gallowgate	5 October 1892	£184 9s 6d	no
A. Mitchell & Son	plumber	8 Cubie Street	5 October 1892	£178 14s 0d	no
John MacKinnon	plumber	105 James Street, Bridgeton Cross	5 October 1892	£171 0s 0d	yes
Walton & Co.	plumber	George Street	5 October 1892	£192 0s 0d	no
Thomas Brown	plumber	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£186 0s 0d	no
Alexander Eadie & Son	plumber	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£188 0s 0d	no
William Shaw & Son	plumber	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£182 0s 0d	no
Warnock & Horsburgh	plumber		5 October 1892	£202 0s 0d	no
H. & L. Anderson & Co.	painter	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£109 0s 0d	no
John Orr & Co.	painter	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£102 0s 0d	no
J. & W. Guthrie	painter	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£119 17s 0d	no
William Douglas	painter	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£95 19 4¼d	yes
A. & J. Scott	painter	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£110 0s 0d	no
James Stott & Co.	supplier of gasoliers and brackets	no data in job book	5 October 1892	£35 0s 0d	yes

Payments (trades):

Name	Type	Payment out sum
Robert Lumsden	mason	Payment date: 16 March 1894 £500 1s 3½d
George Laird & Son	wright	Payment date: 3 May 1894 £1476 13s 11d
R. Stevenson & Son	slater	Payment date: 16 March 1894 £101 7s 1d
H. S. Bathgate	plasterer	Payment date: no data in job book £193 16s 7½d ¹
John MacKinnon	plumber	Payment date: 16 March 1894 £201 11s 11d
William Douglas	painter	Payment date: 16 March 1894 £115 19s 4d

Payments (suppliers):

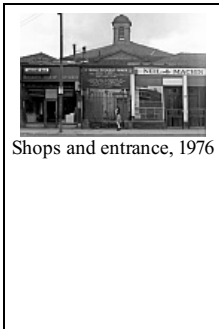
Name	Service	Payment date	Payment sum

James Boyd & Sons	heating apparatus	2 February 1894	£70 16s 5d
James Stott & Co.	'lighting of church'	2 February 1894	£41 10s 0d
George. W. Sellars & Sons	no data in job book	3 May 1894	£56 18s 10d
John Honeyman & Keppie	architecture	no data in job book	£150 0s 0d

Measurer fee payment: £85 0s 0d (no data in job book)

Documents

Images



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Notes:

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- 12: Sum included £1 0s 0d from jobbing account.

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