



M164 Addition to 13 Professors' Square

Introduction

John Honeyman & Keppie added a Gothic gabled porch in dressed and rubble yellow sandstone at the existing front door on the E. elevation of 13 Professors' Square, University of Glasgow. The work coincided with the appointment of the client Reverend Robert Story as Principal of the University and his taking up residence in the house. ¹

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.

Alternative names: Principal's Lodging.

Alternative addresses: 13 The Square

Cost from job book: £133 2s 8d

Cost from other sources: £135 0s 0d ²

Status: Standing building

Current name: 13 The Square

Current use: Office of the Pro Vice-Chancellor; GU Holdings Ltd (2014)

Listing category: B: Listed as 'University of Glasgow, Gilmorehill campus buildings A18 to A20 and A24, 1–13 (inclusive numbers) The Square including carriage steps, railings, lamp standards and boundary walls.'

Historic Scotland/HB Number: 32926

RCAHMS Site Number: NS56NE 4356

Grid reference: NS 56794 66614

Chronology

1898

6 October: 'Proposals for introduction of electric light and erection of a porch at the Principal's House' raised at meeting of the University Court. ¹

21 October: Plan and estimate of cost for the porch are submitted to and approved by the University Court Works Committee. ²

22 October: Contractor tenders submitted. ³

7 November: E. C. Morgan & Son's tender of £135 is recommended by the Works Committee for approval by the University Court. ⁴

1899

14 March: Latest payment to contractor. ⁵

Description

People

Clients:

- University of Glasgow

- Reverend Robert Story

Contractors:

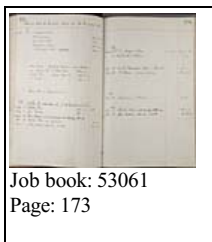
- Douglas, Hunter & Whitson
- E. C. Morgan & Son

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 M164 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 M164 has been extracted from the job books:



Client: University of Glasgow; Reverend Robert Story

Measurer: Douglas, Hunter & Whitson

Tenders:

Contractor	Type	Address	Date	Value	Accepted
P. & W. Anderson	artificer	no data in job book	22 October 1898	£162 12s 6d	no
Alex Muir & Son	artificer	no data in job book	22 October 1898	£152 0s 0d	no
Hutcheson & Grant	artificer	no data in job book	22 October 1898	£172 11s 4d	no
E. C. Morgan & Son	artificer	no data in job book	22 October 1898	£135 6s 0d	yes (no data in job book)

Payments (trades):

Name	Type	Payment out sum
E. C. Morgan & Son	artificer	Payment date: 13 March 1899 £133 2s 8d

Measurer fee payment: £3 10s 0d (14 March 1899)

Documents

Images



Bibliography

Notes:

- 1: 'Robert Story', www.universitystory.gla.ac.uk [accessed 24 July 2012]. On 6 October 1898, the University Court received Rev. Story as Principal for the first time. At the same meeting the proposal for the porch addition was raised. Glasgow University Archive Services: University Court minutes, C1/1/6, 6 October 1898.
- 2: This is the value of E. C. Morgan & Son's tender, which was accepted by the University Court Works Committee. University of Glasgow Archive Services: Works Committee minutes, GB0248 GUA 11971, 7 November 1898.
- 3: University of Glasgow Archive Services: University Court minutes, GB0248 C1/1/6, 6 October 1898.
- 4: University of Glasgow Archive Services: Works Committee minutes, GB0248 GUA 11971, 21 October 1898.
- 5: The Hunterian, University of Glasgow: John Honeyman & Keppie / Honeyman Keppie & Mackintosh job book, GLAHA 53061, p. 173.
- 6: University of Glasgow Archive Services: Works Committee minutes, GB0248 GUA 11971, 7 November 1898.
- 7: The Hunterian, University of Glasgow: John Honeyman & Keppie / Honeyman Keppie & Mackintosh job book, GLAHA 53061, p. 174.

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