

## M252 Alterations to 47–53 Glassford Street

### Introduction

Honeyman, Keppie & Mackintosh redesigned the city-centre shop of general warehousemen Walker, Allan & Co. The two round-headed doors between three round-headed windows were replaced with a plate-glass window and central recessed door. Steel beams and iron columns were inserted to support the facade above the broad new opening. The entrance to the flats above, to the N., was changed from round to square-head. The building was owned by William Greig. <sup>1</sup>

**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.

**Cost from job book:** £193 0s 6d

**Status:** Demolished

**Grid reference:** NS 5931 6510

### Chronology

#### 1905

April: Date of drawings submitted to Glasgow Dean of Guild Court. <sup>1</sup>

18 May: Plans approved by Glasgow Dean of Guild Court. <sup>2</sup>

20 April: Earliest payment to contractor. <sup>3</sup>

10 June: Latest payment to contractor. <sup>4</sup>

27 November: William Greig pays Honeyman, Keppie & Mackintosh £12 12s 0d. <sup>5</sup>

### Description

### People

#### Clients:

- William Greig
- Walker, Allan & Co.

#### Contractors:

- James Findlay & Sons

### 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 M252 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 M252 has been extracted from the job books:



Job book: 53062  
Page: 87

**Client:** William Greig

**Tenders:**

Contractor	Type	Date	Value	Accepted
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**Payments (trades):**

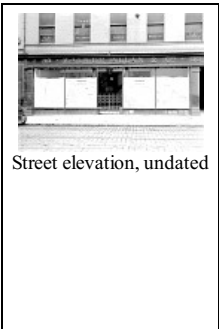
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**Payments (suppliers):**

Name	Service		
James Findlay & Sons	'artificer work'	<b>First installment:</b> 20 April 1905 <b>Final installment:</b> 10 June 1905	£193 0s 6d

## Documents

## Images



Street elevation, undated

## Bibliography

Notes:

- 1: *Glasgow Post Office Directory*, 1905–6, p. 716.
- 2: Glasgow City Archives Collection: Glasgow Dean of Guild Court plans, B4/12/2/782.
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- 4: The Hunterian, University of Glasgow: Honeyman, Keppie & Mackintosh job book, GLAHA 53062, p. 87.
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