



M313 Alterations to Hengler's Circus, Sauchiehall Street

Introduction

The work carried out by Honeyman, Keppie & Mackintosh at Hengler's Circus in 1911 included the installation of a marble floor in the vestibule and painting. The Circus had been located on Sauchiehall Street immediately S. of the Glasgow School of Art since 1905. Further work is recorded in the job book in 1914. 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: Hengler's Cirque.

Cost from job book: £141 15s 4d

Status: Interiors significantly altered

Current use: Night club and music venue (2014)

Grid reference: NS 5840 6593

Chronology

1911

20 June: Contractor tender accepted. ¹

1 September: Latest contractor payment. ²

1914

7 May: Contractor tender accepted. ³

30 December: Contractor paid. ⁴

Description

People

Clients:

- Hengler's Circus Ltd

Contractors:

- Alexander Cousland & Son
- Galbraith & Winton
- James Miller

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 M313 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 M313 has been extracted from the job books:



Job book: 53063
Page: 53

Client: Hengler's Circus Ltd

Tenders:

Contractor	Type	Address	Date	Value	Accepted
Galbraith & Winton	marble	no data in job book	no data in job book	£60 0s 0d ¹	yes (20 June 1911)

Payments (trades):

Name	Type	Payment out sum
Galbraith & Winton	marble floor	Payment date: 1 September 1911 £61 9s 6d

Payments (suppliers):

Name	Service	Payment date	Payment sum
Alexander Cousland & Son	'wire mats'	3 August 1911	£2 8s 0d
James Miller	'floor, painting etc'	31 August 1911	£77 17s 10d

Documents

Images

Bibliography

Published

Notes:

- 1: *Glasgow Post Office Directory*, 1905–6, p. 1024.
- 2: The Hunterian, University of Glasgow: Honeyman, Keppie & Mackintosh job book, GLAHA 53063, p. 53.
- 3: The Hunterian, University of Glasgow: Honeyman, Keppie & Mackintosh job book, GLAHA 53063, p. 53.
- 4: The Hunterian, University of Glasgow: Honeyman, Keppie & Mackintosh job book, GLAHA 53063, p. 53.
- 5: The Hunterian, University of Glasgow: Honeyman, Keppie & Mackintosh job book, GLAHA 53063, p. 53.
- 6: For 'marble at Vestibule and terrazzo'.

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