## **Tubbs, Cyril Bazett 1859 - 1927**

Cyril Bazett Tubbs [commonly known as Cyril B. Tubbs] was born in Reading, Berkshire, England, in 1859 and worked as an architect from the 1880s onwards. He was in partnership with George William Webb (1853-1936) as Webb & Tubbs in Reading in c.1881-86 and from 1898 with Arthur Albert Messer (1863-1934) as Tubbs & Messer in Woking, Surrey. The practice had offices in London, at 10 The Broadway, Woking, Surrey, at 7 Cantelope Road, Bexhill, Sussex, and possibly also in Newbury, Berkshire. In c.1913-15 Tubbs and Messer were in partnership with (?) Poulter\* as Tubbs, Messer & Poulter.

Drawings of 'The Web' in Whitley, Surrey, and 'Bucklers Hard', Beaulieu, Hampshire, designed by Tubbs & Messer, are illustrated in 'The Studio Yearbook of Decorative Art' 1912 (pp.73, 74).

During the 1890s and at least until 1900, Tubbs was also general manager and architect of the London Necropolis Railway, a private railway line that transported coffins and mourners from a station at 121 Westminster Bridge Road to Brookwood Cemetery near Woking in Surrey. Tubbs died in 1927. His death was registered in Alton, Hampshire

\* Poulter is likely to have been Briant Alfred Poulter (1881-1972) or/and Harry Reginald Poulter (1879-c.1966), both of whom had worked as assistants to Tubbs & Messer in the early 1900s

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