

Peacock, Frank Barry 1860 - 1937

Frank Barry Peacock was born in Cheetham, Manchester, Lancashire, England on 12 December 1859 and was articled to Alfred Darbyshire (1839-1908) in Manchester. He then worked as an assistant to [Jethro Anstice Cossins](#) (1830-1917) from 1880 to 1887.

He commenced practice as architect in the Birmingham in 1889 [or 1887 - sources differ] and was in partnership with Jethro Anstice Cossins from 1889 [or 1887 - sources differ] as Cossins & Peacock. In c.1896 [Hubert Rawson Bewlay](#) (1872-1942) joined the practice which renamed [Cossins, Peacock & Bewlay](#). When Bewlay became ill, his younger brother [Ernest Chawner Bewlay](#) (1872-1942) took over as partner in the practice in c.1900.

Cossins subsequently withdrew from the practice and by 1916 Peacock and Bewlay were in partnership with [Samuel Nathaniel Cooke](#) (1882-1964) as [Peacock Bewlay & Cooke](#) in Birmingham. Cooke at some time also dropped out of the partnership and Peacock and Bewlay continued the practice as Peacock & Bewlay. The partnership was eventually dissolved in December 1934.

Peacock was elected a Fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects (FRIBA) in 1907. He Vice-President of Birmingham Architectural Association in 1890-01, and 1891-02.. He died in Sutton Coldfield, Warwickshire on 17 February 1937

Worked in

UK

Works

Barbadoes Mutual Assurance Co.'s Offices, Bridgetown, Barbadoes; the Metropolitan Bank, Wolverhampton; the Metropolitan Bank, Hereford; City of Birmingham Women's Baths; City of Birmingham School for Jewellers; City of Birmingham Gas Department, Recreation Hall; City of Birmingham Gas Department Offices, King's Norton; Open-Air School, Remand Home; Rednal Tea Rooms, Birmingham; St. Philip's Hall, the Oratory, St. Catherine's Tower, and the Maternity Hospital, Birmingham; and many other important institutions, business premises, and residences In Birmingham and district. [Source: Who's Who in Architecture 1914]

St.. Augustine's Priory, Ealing; Church of the Sacred Heart and St. Catherine, Droitwich; St. Catherine's Tower, Birmingham; St. Philip's Hall, the Oratory, Birmingham; the Oratory School, Reading; Schools of the Holy Family, and the Uffculme Open Air School, at Birmingham; Cropwood Open Air School, Blackwell; Council Schools, Erdington; the Maternity Hospital, Birmingham: University of Birmingham, Chancellor's Hall; Friends Institutes at Hay Mills, and Greet: City of Birmingham: Jewellers' School, Women's Baths, Remand Home, Bilberry Hill Tea Rooms, Gas Offices (King's Norton); banking premises at Birmingham, Wolverhampton, Hereford, Cradley Heath, etc.; insurance company's offices, Bridgetown, Barbados; business premises for Messrs. W. Canning and Co., Ltd., Webley and Scott, Barrow's Stores, Ltd., Howes and Barley, Ltd.; and a large number of private houses. [Source: Who's Who in Architecture 1923]

See also: Baker, Ann; Butler, Joanne and Southworth, Pat. 'Cossins Peacock and Bewlay' [see **Bibliography below**] for a selected list of architectural works by Cossins Peacock & Bewlay (pp. 239-248).

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