

Tipping, Henry Avray 1855 - 1933



Henry Avray Tipping was born in the Château de Ville-d'Avray near Versailles, France on 22 August 1855. As a child he moved to England and studied modern history at Christ Church, Oxford. After leaving university he worked briefly as a university lecturer before joining the staff of the Dictionary of National Biography. His main interest, however, was garden design on which he became an authority. He was a regular contributor to *Country Life* magazine, wrote articles for *The Garden*, and was the author of books on the subject.

In addition to his writings on gardens and garden design, Tipping was the author of *English Homes: Architecture from Medieval Times to the Early Part of the Nineteenth Century* (3 vols, 1920-28), and wrote books on the woodwork of Grinling Gibbins, and on old English Furniture. For several years he was architectural editor of *Country Life*.

Tipping worked on the restoration of country houses. He designed several gardens, notably at Chequers, near the village of Ellesborough in Buckinghamshire, now the country house of British Prime Ministers. He died in Harefield, Middlesex, England on 16 November 1933.

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