

## Cackett, James Thorburn 1860 - 1928

James Thorburn Cackett was born in Hartlepool, Durham, England in 1860. He was a pupil of the architect L. H. Armour in Gateshead from 1876 and later worked as his managing assistant. He commenced independent practice as an architect in 1884. From 1899 he was in partnership with [Robert Burns Dick](#) (1868-1954) in Newcastle-upon-Tyne as [Cackett & Burns Dick](#). In 1923 [Robert Norman Houghton MacKellar](#) (1890-1973) joined the partnership and by 1928 the practice had been renamed Cackett, Burns Dick & MacKellar.

Cackett was elected a Fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects (FRIBA) in 1892. He was also a member of the Northern Architectural Association its President and Hon. Treasurer. He died in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Northumberland on 26 March 1928.

Worked in  
UK  
Works

With Robert Burns Dick:

Pilgrim House, Cross House, Newcastle; Northern Conservative and Unionist Club, Newcastle; Birth Harbour Commissioners' Offices; New "Armstrong" Naval Shipyard for Messrs. Sir William G. Armstrong, Whitworth & Co., Walker-upon-Tyne; and many private residences, &c. [Source: Who's Who in Architecture 1914]

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Goldsmiths' Hall, Barclays Bank, and other Important buildings In Newcastle; laying out of estates in Newcastle and neighbourhood. Also many large buildings In conjunction with R. Burns Dick, including Laing Art Gallery, Pilgrim House, Cross House, Northern Conservative Club, Newcastle; Messrs. Sir W. G. Armstrong, Whitworth and Co.'s Naval Shipyard at Walker-on-Tyne; Messrs. Short Bros.' Naval Aircraft Works, Cardington, Bedford; Seaplane Works, Rochester; extensions to works for Messrs. A. Reyrolle and Co., Hebburn-on-Tyne; Union Building, Armstrong College, Newcastle: etc. etc. [Source: Who's Who in Architecture 1923]

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