## **Tuke, William Charles 1843 - 1893**



William Charles Tuke was born in Bolton, near Bradford, Yorkshire on 12 January and was articled to his father, William Tuke, a land agent, surveyor and architect, in Bradford from 1857 to 1861. In order to gain practical experience in construction, he then worked for a building firm in Chester, Cheshire following which he worked as an assistant to George Bidlake (1829?-1892) in Wolverhampton, and Alexander William Mills (1814-1905) and John Murgatroyd (1830-1894) in Manchester. In 1865 he joined the office of James Maxwell (1838-1893) and in 1868 formed a partnership with him as Maxwell & Tuke.

In 1876 Maxwell and Tuke formed a separate architectural partnership with Samuel Hurst (1849-1890) as Maxwell, Tuke & Hurst in Southport, Lancashire. This practice, which specialised in the design of Nonconformist chapels and schools, appears to have operated independently of Maxwell & Tuke. The Maxwell, Tuke & Hurst partnership was dissolved in 1885.

Tuke was elected a Fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects (FRIBA) in 1888 and was a member of the Manchester Society of Architects. He died in St Anne's on the Sea, Lancashire on 28 March 1893

Worked in UK Works

See: Maxwell & Tuke

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