

Tarver, Edward John 1841 - 1891



Edward John Tarver [also known as Edward J. Tarver] was born in Eton Buckinghamshire England in 27 November 1841 and was the son of the lexicographer John Charles Tarver (1790-1851). He was articled to Benjamin Ferrey (1810-1880) from 1858 to 1862 and attended the Architectural Association Schools in London. He subsequently commenced practice as an architect in London in the 1860s. He was elected an Associate of the Royal Institute of British Architects (ARIBA) in 1865.

Tarver served as its President of the Architectural Association in 1874 and in 1881 was appointed the first paid lecturer on the History of Architecture at the AA, a position he held until 1887. In 1888 he was elected a Fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects (FRIBA). He was at one time District Surveyor for South St. Marylebone, London.

Tarver exhibited at the Royal Academy in London from 1874 to 1886. He also participated in the 2nd exhibition of the Arts & Crafts Exhibition Society in London in 1889.

With Henry William Brewer (1803-1903), Tarver illustrated Hints on Household Taste in Furniture, Upholstery and other details (1868) by Charles Locke.

His address was given as 10 Craig's Court, London in 1874; and 18 Hilgrove Road, Hampstead, London in 1881.

He died in Hampstead, London on 7 June 1891. His address at the time of his death was 11 Clossfield Road, Hampstead and 31 Beaumont Street, Marylebone, Middlesex.

A biographical file on Edward John Tarver is available on request from the Enquiry Desk, Royal Institute of British Architects Library, London

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Works

Notable Tarver's his commissions were a mansion in Wadhurst Park in Wadhurst, East Sussex (1875); the Rossmore Memorial in Monaghan, Co. Ireland (1876); and the Church of All Souls in Harlesden, London (1877).

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