

## **Morter, Sidney Pelham 1869 - 1933**

Sidney Pelham Morter was born in Stratford, Essex [now London], England on 5 March 1869 and was articled to Leonard & S. Chatfield Clarke from 1886 to 1891. He then worked as an assistant in the War Office Architects' Department at Shorncliffe Camp, near Cheriton in Kent for three years; to Thomas William Hudson (1865-?) in Manchester for 18 months; to Edmund Kirby (1838-1920) for 18 months; and to Sinnott, Sinnott & Powell in Liverpool for a further 18 months.

Morter commenced practice as an architect in Liverpool in 1899. He was in partnership with [William Glen Dobie](#) (1866-c.1956) as Morter & Dobie. They were joined by [Thomas Myddleton Shallcross](#) (1862-1919) and the practice was renamed Morter, Shallcross & Dobie. In 1909 Morter, Shallcross & Dobie entered a competition to design new County Hall Offices and Committee Rooms, etc. in Reading, Berkshire. Their designs are illustrated in *British Competitions in Architecture* vol. 3, no. 29, March 1910 (pp. 152-155). By 1919 the name of the firm had reverted to Morter & Dobie.

Morter was elected a Licentiate of the Royal Institute of British Architects (LRIBA) in 1911. His address was given as Phoenix Villa, Chatsworth Road, Forest Gate, Essex in 1871; 41 Pennington Road, Tunbridge Wells, Kent in 1881; 9 Chatsworth Road, West Ham, Essex in 1891; 60 Devonshire Road, Toxteth Park, Lancashire in 1901; The Rowans, Birkenhead Road, Hoylake, Cheshire in 1911 and 1933; and The Temple, 24 Dale Street, Liverpool in 1914 and 1926. He died in Liverpool on 11 February 1933.

Worked in

UK

Bibliography

Directory of British Architects 1834-1914. Compiled by Antonia Brodie, et al. Volume 2: L-Z. London; New York: British Architectural Library, Royal Institute of British Architects/Continuum, 2001

'Obituary'. Royal Institute of British Architects Journal vol. 40, 29 April 1933 p. 515