

Essex, Nicol & Goodman 1892 - 1905

Essex, Nicol & Goodman was an architectural partnership formed in Birmingham, England in 1892 when John Goodman (1864-1951) joined the existing practice of Essex & Nicol established by Oliver Essex (1855-1939) and John Coulson Nicol (1884-1933) in 1886.

During its 13-year history, the practice was responsible for designing many of the most prominent buildings in and around Birmingham. These included numerous shops, stores, factories, warehouses and many private houses.

In 1905, Nicol withdrew from the firm and set up a new partnership with his son as Nicol & Nicol. Essex and Goodman continued the practice as Essex & Goodman until Essex's death in 1939.

Worked in

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Works

New builds by the practice included "Greylands", Lichfield Road, Erdington for Dr. Aspinall (1893); "Glandore", Sutton Road, Erdington for Dr. Donovan (1893); Three semidetached houses, Chantry road, Birmingham for Oliver Essex and J. Parker (1893); Two houses, Chantry Road, Birmingham for Oliver Essex and J. Parker (1893); "La Fontaine", 40 Heathfield Road, King's Heath for G. Hynd (1893); Coach House, stable and conservatory, 54 Chantry Road, Birmingham for G. W. Dawes (1893); three semi-detached houses, Chantry Road, Birmingham for Essex, Nicol & Parker (1893); Arcade and shops, Preston, Lancashire (1893); New offices for the Imperial Live Stock Ins. Corp., 17 Pall Mall East, London (1893); Builders' premises, Welches Hill for E. J. Charles (1893); Technical School, Suffolk Street, Birmingham for the Corporation of Birmingham (1893); Meat Market, Bradord Street and Sherlock Street, Birmingham, for the Corporation of Birmingham (1894); Business premises, warehouse and shops for R. Lunt & Co., Old Square, Birmingham (1894); Six houses, Ashfield Avenue, Birmingham, for R. Morton Hughes (1894); "The Chains", 1 Church Road, Edgbaston for Oliver Essex (1894); Two semi-detached houses, Prospect Road, Birmingham, for John Lewis (1894); "Wych Elms", coach house and stable, 215 Forest Road for Edward Hurley (1894) Six houses, Chantry Road, for E. J. Charles (1894); Residence, Chantry Road for James Percival (1894); Shops, cottages at rear, Alcester Road, Birmingham (1895); House and stables, 35 Westfield Road, Moseley for Walter

Jones (1895): "Beverley", 22 Salisbury Road for John Goodman (1896); Two greenhouses and conservatory, Wake Green Road, for Mr. Harrison (1896); "Hill Crest", Lyttleton Road for E. Smallwood (1896); Premises, Newall Street and Cornwall Street for Dr. Ed Malins (1896); Business premises, Old Square, for Newbury's Ltd., drapers (1896); Business premises, Upper Priory, for Essex & Nicol (1896); Business premises, Cannon Street, Needless Alley, and New Street, Birmingham) for Clarence Property Co. (1897); Workmen's hall, club, etc., Newhall Street and Bread Street, Birmingham for W. T. Smedley & Others (1897); Business premises, Bull Street and Minorities Street for George Berrill & Son, grocers (1897); Four Shops, Bristol Street and Barn Road, Birmingham for Essex & Nicol (1897); Three shops and offices, Broad Street, Birmingham, for Oliver Essex (1897); Shed, Conybere Street, Birmingham for Parkers Ltd., joiners (1897); Shops, Newtown Row, Birmingham for R. Baker (1897); Stable, coach house, etc., Westfield Road for H. Wright (1897); House vand business premises, 19 Drayton Road for R. Webb (1897); Residence, 37 Chantry Road, Birmingham for F. Pickering (1897); Two houses, 48 and 50 Salisbury Road, Birmingham for John Goodman (1897); "Lisshocawn", Birmingham Road, Solihull for C. J. Newbeury (1897); Business premises, Edgbaston Street, Birmingham for J. Collins (1898); Business premises, Steelhouse Lane, Birmingham, for J. C. Nicol (1898); Warehouse, Moseley Road and Edgbaston Road, Birmingham for Mr. Grew (1898); Shop, Northwood Street, Birmingham for Bent & Parker, buckle manufacturers (1898); House, 323 Hagley Road, Birmingham for J. F. Craig (1898); House, stables and coach house, 93 Alcester Road, Birmingham for J. F. Taylor (1898); Two houses, St. Bernard's Road, Olton for J. P. Achurch (1898); Shop, Stafford Street, for Harris & Sheldon, shop fitters and brass founders (1899); Shops, offices and business premises, Colmore Row, New Street and Waterloo Street, Birmingham for Birmingham Cental Estates Co. (1899); Business premises, Minorities, Birmingham for Newbury's Ltd., drapers (1899); Business premises, Station Street, Birmingham for Lockerbie & Wilkinson, hardware merchants (1899); House on Chantry Road, Birmingham, for John Parker and Adie (1899); House, Chantry Road, Birmingham for John Parker (1900); Two shops with offices above, Paradise Street, Birmingham for Oliver Essex (1900); Three shops and dwellings, Bell Lane and Bristol Road, Birmingham for F. H. Morrison, grocer; shops, offices and consulting rooms, Easy Row and Edmund Street, Birmingham for Buildings Ltd. (1901); New premises, The Crescent, Handsworth, for Hill & Egginton, shop fitters (1901); Business premises, Upper Priory, Birmingham for J. C. Nicol (1901); New premises, Moat Lane, Birmingham for A. Shorthouse, meat salesman (1902); New premises, High Street, Birmingham for High Street Ltd. (1903); New premises, John Bright Street and Suffolk Street, Birmingham for E. B. S. Musgrave (1903); New Premises, Bull Street for Barrows Ltd., grocers, tea and

coffee merchants (1903); "Stukely", 27 Farquar Road, Edgbaston, for J. P. Achurch; "Elmdon Lodge", 50 Yardley Road, Acock's Green for J. C. Nicol (1903); and Mission Church, Hobmoor Road, Birmingham for Rev. H. Jacob (1904)

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