

## **Crickmay, George Rackstrow 1830 - 1907**

George Rackstrow Crickmay was born in itney, Oxfordshire, England on 26 December and trained as an architect under his father, George Hayter Crickmay (1808-1857) from 1846. From 1853 to 1855 he was clerk of works to James Piers St. Aubyn (1815-1895). He commenced independent practice in Weymouth, Dorset, England in 1858 and from 1881 was in partnership with his son, George Lay Crickmay (1855-1921) as Crickmay & Son. They opened an office in London in the 1890s. By 1894 a second son, Harry William Crickmay (1861-1937) had become a partner in the practice which was renamed Crickmay & Sons.

George Rackstrow Crickmay was Diocesan Surveyor to the Archdeaconry of Dorset and was elected a Fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects (FRIBA) in 1884. By 1901 he was living in Wandsworth, London. He died at 22 Keswick Road, East Putney, Surrey [now London] on 10 November 1907

Worked in

UK

Works

Works by George Rackstrow Crickmay and Crickmay & Sons included Eldridge Pope Brewery, Weymouth Avenue, Dorchester, Dorset (1880); Horns public house, Kennington, London (1886); Church House, Crane Street, Salisbury (1887); holy Trinity Church, Weymouth, Dorset (1887); Weymouth Collerge Chapel in Weymouth, Dorset (1894-96); the Church of St. Aldhelm, Lytchett Heath, Dorset (1898); Lytchett Minster Schools in Lytchett Heath, Dorset (1898); the Badger public house in Blandford Forum, Dorset (1899); an extension to the chancel of St. Nicholas church, Broaway, Weymouth, Dorset (1901); Greenhill Hospital in Weymouth, Dorset (1902); Six Bells public house in Chelsea, London (1902); Buildings on the East Side of Aldgate Street, London (1902); New Zealand House, 415 Strand, London (1903-04); and the White Ensign Naval Club, Weymouth, Dorset (1905).

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