

## Taylor, Thomas 1858 - 1943

Thomas Taylor was born in Oldham, Lancashire, England in 1858. He was articled to Edward Potts (1839-1909) in Oldham from 1874 to 1879 and remained with him as his assistant until 1884. He commenced independent practice as an architect in Oldham in 1884 and was in partnership with Ernest Simister (1877-1959) as Taylor & Simister from 1907, and with his son, John Alexander Chisholm Taylor (1890-?) from 1919.

Thomas Taylor was elected a Licentiate of the Royal Institute of British Architects (LRIBA) in 1911 and a Fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects (FRIBA) in 1929. He was also a Fellow of the Manchester Society of Architects and a member of the Oldham Society of Architects of which he was President. His address was given as 29, Queen Street, Oldham in 1911 and 1930, and The Manse, Waterhead, Oldham in 1914.

Worked in

UK

Works

Drill Hall and quarters for the 10th Battalion Manchester Regiment; Head Offices for the Oldham Joint Stock Bank, and branches at Rochdale, Castleton, Royton, Shaw, Hollinwood, &c.; Central Premises for the Oldham Equitable Cooperative Society, and branches, &c.; churches, Institutes, mills, workshops; extensions to the Oldham Royal Infirmary; Grand Theatre and Opera House for the Oldham Empire Theatre Co., Ltd.; extensions to Oldham Union Workhouse; churches and schools, convent and chapel, town and country houses, &c., &c. [Source: Who's Who in Architecture 1914]

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Central premises for the Oldham Equitable Co-operative Society and branch premises; Drill Hall for the 10th Batt. Manchester Regiment; Derker School for the Oldham Educational Committee; Convent Chapel and School for the Sisters of Mercy, Oldham; Grand Theatre. Oldham; head office and sub-branches for the Oldham Joint Stock Bank; Banks in Darwen, Accrington, Nelson, Prestwich, Middleton, and several other sub-branches for the Midland Bank, Ltd.; St Ambrose Church and Schools, Oldham; houses in various parts of the country: spinning and weaving mill In Alexandria, Egypt; Nurses' Home for Oldham Royal Infirmary; Lees Nurses' Home; Strinesdale Sanatorium, Oldham; Hospital for the Township of

Oldham, Chadderton, Middleton, etc.; Chadderton. Town Hall; Chadderton Senior Elementary School. [Source: Who's Who in Architecture 1926]

## Bibliography

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