

Cleveland Architects

Walter Blythe

Birth/Established: February 27, 1827 **Death/Dissolved:** August 17, 1884

Affiliation: Heard & Blythe

Biography: Walter Blythe was born in Leeds, England. He came to America at the age of thirteen in 1849 and located in Cleveland one year later. He married Florida Geneva Heard, the daughter of architect Charles Heard. He learned the avocation of stone-cutter from his father-in-law. He later became a draftsman and then an architect. He was a veteran of the Forty-first Ohio Volunteers regiment during the Civil War. Immediately after the war, from 1866 to 1871, he was a partner in the firm of Heard and Blythe. In 1871 he went into business for himself. He was the president of the Board of Water Works. All of his work was built before the issuance of building permits by the City of Cleveland (1888), thus making it unidentifiable. He lived at the edge of the city at Kinsman Road and East 40th Street. He was the architect of many important commercial and governmental buildings built during the High Victorian era.

Building List

| Structure | Date | Address | City | State | Status |
|---|--------|----------------------------|------------|-------|-----------------|
| Oberlin College Council Hall | 1871-4 | | Oberlin | OH | Demolished 1930 |
| Tremont School | 1872 | | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| Lewis Kies Residence | 1872 | 4208 Prospect Avenue | Cleveland | OH | Standing |
| Colonel Frank Lynch Residence | 1872 | 2913 Clinton Avenue | Cleveland | OH | Standing |
| Standard Oil Block | 1873 | 43-55 Euclid (1885) | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| Striebinger House | 1873 | 62 Michigan Street | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| Cleveland Fire Station #9 | 1873 | | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| Euclid Avenue Block | 1873 | 206-16 Euclid Avenue | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| Mary Groh Residence | 1873 | 3043 Superior Avenue | Cleveland | OH | Standing |
| Union School House | 1873-4 | 39 South Main Street | Oberlin | OH | Standing |
| Cleveland Fire Station #4 | 1874 | 1455 West 29th Street | Cleveland | OH | Standing |
| Outhwaite School | 1874 | | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| Hoyt Block | 1874 | 700 St. Clair Avenue NW | Cleveland | OH | Standing |
| Paine Block | 1874 | 1350-98 Ontario Street | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| Clark Block | 1874 | 331-3 West Superior Avenue | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| Cleveland Fire Station #11 | 1876 | 4090 East 91st Street | Cleveland | OH | Standing |
| Windsor Block | 1876 | 340 Euclid Avenue | Cleveland | OH | Standing |
| Brainard Block | 1876 | 322-6 Euclid Avenue | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| E. M. McMillan Store | 1880 | 210 Federal Street | Youngstown | OH | Demolished |
| Marsh and Harwood Acid Works factory addition | 1880 | | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| Fred Dieboldt Residence | 1881 | 2429 East 55th Street | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| George Warrington House | 1881 | 2613 Franklin Avenue | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| Masonic Temple | 1881 | | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| H.P. McIntosh Residence | 1881 | 1071 Superior Avenue | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| Block for Oscar Townsend | 1881 | 721-711 West St. Clair | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| S. Brainard and Sons | 1881 | | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| Block of stores | 1881 | | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| Block of Blair and Bros. on Public Square | 1882 | | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| Commercial Building | 1882 | | Oberlin | OH | Standing |
| Building for Jno Vincent | 1882 | | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| Pipe foundry for Silas Merchant | 1883 | | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| Business block on Ontario for E.M. McGillin | 1883 | | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| Phil Morris Residence | 1883 | 2075 East 96th Street | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| Payne Building | 1884 | 701-33 St. Clair Avenue NW | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| White Elephant Building | 1884 | 2303-7 East 4th Street | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |

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| Evangelical Association Building | 1884 | 1903-23 Woodland | Cleveland | OH | Demolished |
| Monroe Street Cemetery Gatehouse | nd | | Cleveland | Ohio | Standing |

Sources:

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