

JOHN DRAKE, born on the 29th July, 1843, entered at the age of 16 the office of his father, the late Mr. Thomas Drake, of Bradford, where he obtained a practical training in building construction. After being engaged for four years as chief assistant to his father, he commenced business on his own account in 1868. From that time he was engaged in the design of breweries, dye-houses and mills, both at home and abroad, and of apparatus in connection therewith. For the Queensbury, Thornton, Tong, Shelf and Clayton Local Boards he designed and constructed water and sewerage works, and in 1892 he was appointed Engineer to the Thornton and Tong Local Boards. He was also a partner in the firm of John Morton and Co., of the Fireclay Works at Thornton, near Bradford. Mr. Drake died at his residence, Winterbank, Queensbury, on the 13th April, 1901.

He was elected an Associate Member of the Institution on the 5th February, 1892.

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ALFRED PEARSON, born in Wigan on the 27th July, 1851, served articles from 1868 to 1873 to Mr. Perrins, of Wigan, mining engineer, on the expiration of which he was engaged for four years as an assistant to Messrs. Kell, of Barnsley, also mining engineers. From 1877 to 1880 he was employed by Messrs. J. and P. Higson, of Manchester, as Manager of the Mountain Mine Colliery at Hurst. In June, 1880, he was appointed Surveyor to the collieries belonging to the Dukinfield Estate, and from 1883 until his death he acted as Surveyor to the Estate, in which capacity he was responsible for the construction of roads and sewers. In addition to the duties of that post, he practised on his own account, and also acted as Consulting Engineer to several firms in the neighbourhood. Mr. Pearson died at Dukinfield on the 27th May, 1901.

He was elected an Associate Member of the Institution on the 3rd February, 1885.

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GEORGE SAMUEL SEARIGHT, son of Mr. Graves E. Searight, of Springfield, Shankill, co. Dublin, was born on the 15th January, 1859. He entered the School of Engineering, Dublin University, in 1877, and graduated in Arts in 1880, and in Engineering in