

MANORS POWER STATION
 ...THE TRAMWAYS GENERATING STATION WAS A FORMER COAL-FIRED POWER STATION. ABOVE THE DOOR IT SAYS: "NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS"

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 MELBOURNE ST. NEWCASTLE.



CITY CHURCH ONE OF THE PANELS IN THE WINDOW

THIS DETAIL WAS ON THE SIDE OF CLARENDON HOUSE ... BUT WHAT IS IT?



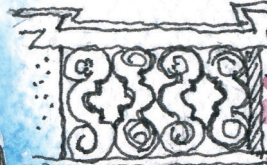
DETAILING ON WALL BEHIND SHE LL.



CLARENDON HOUSE
 1896

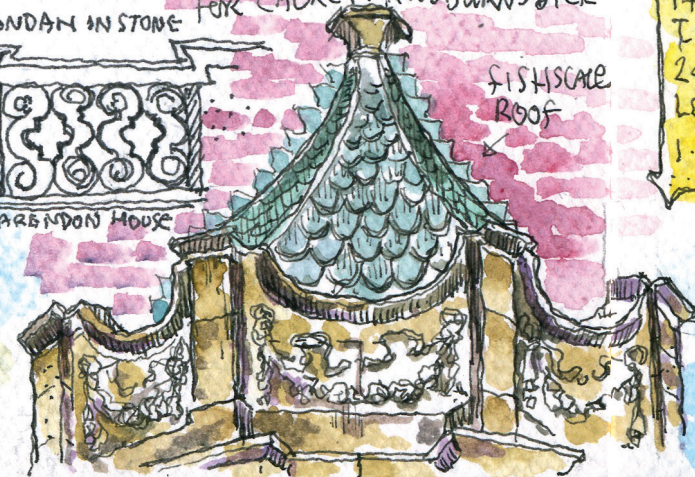
AN EDWARDIAN ARTS AND CRAFTS TEMPERANCE HOTEL, BECAME OFFICES FOR CACKETT AND BURNSDICK

VERANDAH IN STONE



CLARENDON HOUSE

FISHSCALE ROOF



14.5 FEET TALL.
 24CT GOLD LEAF.
 1.5 TONS.

GOLD SMITHS



VENUS STANDS GOLDEN, ARMS OUTSTRETCHED SYMBOLISING PROGRESS

...to design a new building of elegant proportions,
 SO SAID THOMAS COOKE WHEN COMMISSIONING JAMES CACKETT.
 IT BECAME THE A MAJOR NATIONAL CHAIN OF HIGH CLASS JEWELLERS.

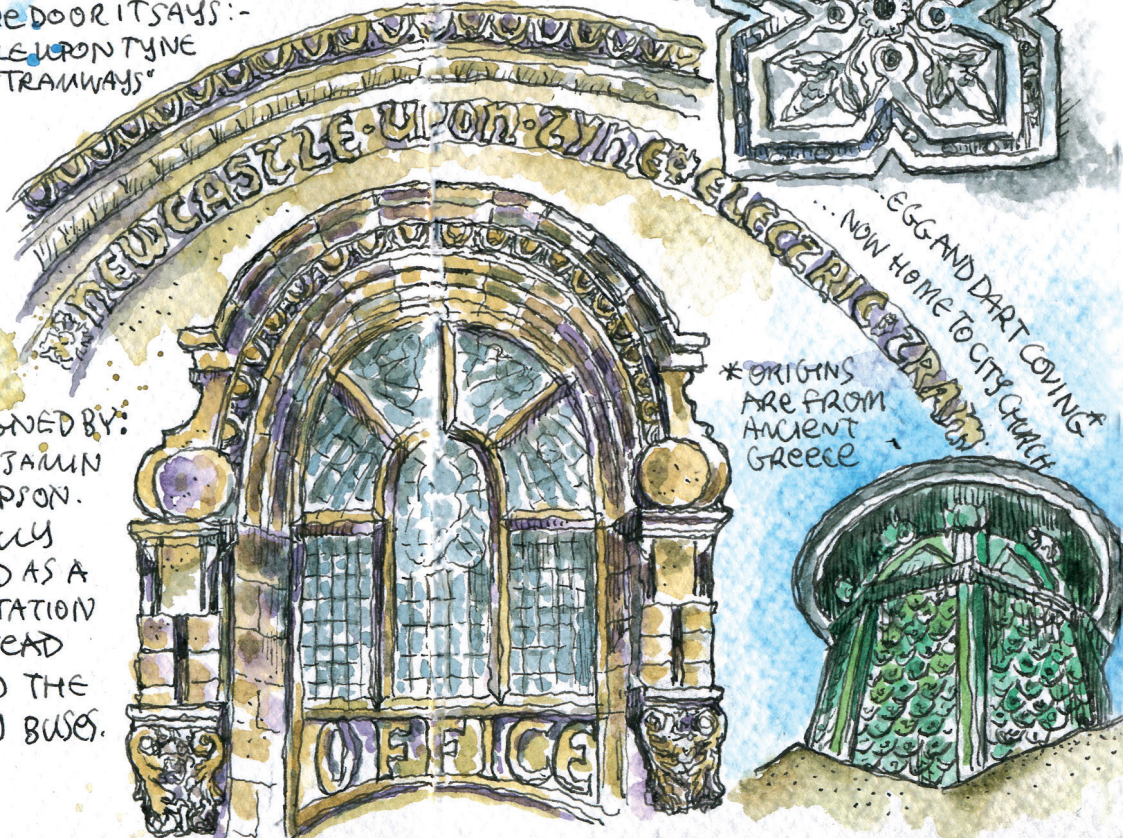


"VENUS' SHELL"

GOLDSMITHS ON WESTGATE ROAD ... NOW CLOSED



DESIGNED BY: BENJAMIN SIMPSON.
 EVENTUALLY IT CEASED AS A POWER STATION BUT, INSTEAD POWERED THE TROLLEY BUSES.



EGG AND DART COVING ... NOW HOME TO CITY CHURCH
 *ORIGINS ARE FROM ANCIENT GREECE



EGG&DART...



ORIGINATED IN ANCIENT GREECE AND ROMAN ARCHITECTURE. THE OVOID SHAPE (EGG) AND LEAF (DART) ARE BELIEVED TO REPRESENT THE OPIUM POPPY AND ITS LEAVES.

SO MANY OF NEWCASTLE'S BUILDINGS ARE DECORATED WITH FLOURISHES AND MOTIFS OF GREAT ARTISTRY AND SKILL.

MANY OF THEM HAVE SIGNIFICANCE AND MEANING, SUCH AS THE EGG AND DART DECORATION.

LOOK FOR THIS IN UNUSUAL PLACES, SUCH AS MANOR'S POWERSTATION. A BUILDING ROOTED IN OUR INDUSTRIAL HERITAGE, BUILT IN CLASSICAL STYLE.

MANORS STATION GENERATED ELECTRICITY UNTIL 1936. AFTER THE ELECTRICITY (SUPPLY) ACT 1926, WHICH CREATED THE CENTRAL ELECTRICITY BOARD AND THE NATIONAL GRID, OPERATING AT 132KV, IT WAS REGARDED TOO SMALL IN GENERATING ELECTRICITY, AND CEASED GENERATION.

HOWEVER IT WAS RETAINED FOR ELECTRICAL FUNCTION, POWERING THE TROLLEY BUSES.

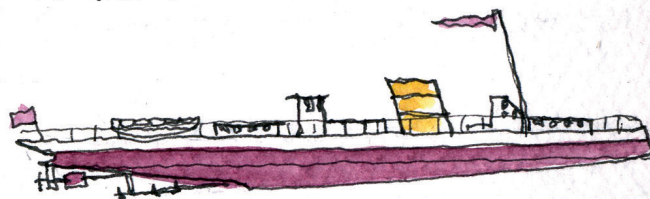
C.A. PARSONS & COMPANY LTD

RACHEL MARY PARSONS (1885-1956)* WAS AN ENGLISH ENGINEER AND ADVOCATE FOR WOMEN'S EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS. SHE TOOK OVER THE COMPANY WHEN HER BROTHER ALGERNON WAS CALLED UP FOR MILITARY SERVICE IN WWI.

*SISTER OF CHARLES ALGERNON PARSONS SON

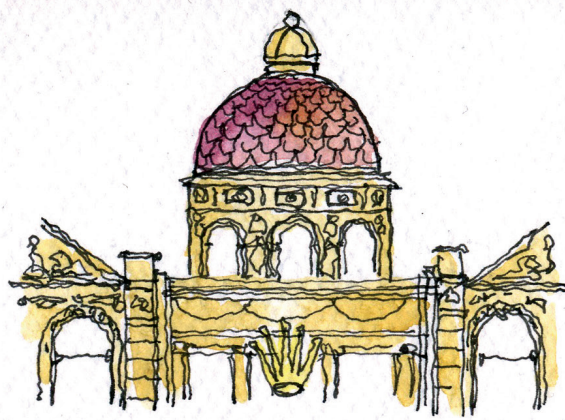


THE TECHNOLOGY BEING USED AT THE STATION WAS CONSIDERED TO BE OBSOLETE AT THE TIME OF OPENING AND THE ORIGINAL PRIME MOVERS WERE REPLACED IN 1908 BY FOUR PARSONS TURBO GENERATORS.



YOU CAN SEE ONE OF THE TURBINES IN THE DISCOVERY MUSEUM ALONG WITH THE TURBINIA, THE FIRST STEAM TURBINE-POWERED STEAMSHIP, THE FASTEST SHIP IN THE WORLD IN 1894

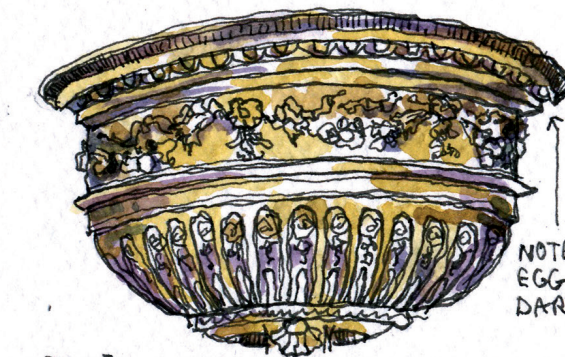
ALGERNON GEORGE "TOMMY" PARSONS



1919 NORTHERN GOLDSMITHS BECAME THE FIRST UK STOCKIST OF LUXURY BRAND ROLEX



THE ART NOUVEAU TURRET AND CORNER OFFICES EXTENDING ALONG WESTGATE ROAD WAS DESIGNED BY CACKETT+BURNS DICK IN 1916. THE FIRST SHOWROOM OPENED IN 1778 ON BLACKETT STREET. THE CLOCK WAS ADDED IN 1937.



NOTE EGG+DART

PILOT FALCON

SAILOR SHIISORI

LAMY (ANY)

SKETCH INK



CLARENDON HOUSE WAS BUILT AS A TEMPERANCE HOTEL, DESIGNED BY OLIVER LEESON IN 1896. THE RED BRICK "ARTS AND CRAFTS" STYLE BUILDING WAS CONVERTED INTO OFFICES IN 1923.



LUXURIOUS ARTISTRY

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