

77.7. DERBY Corporation Art Gallery

A
MEMORIAL EXHIBITION
OF THE WORKS OF THE LATE
ERNEST TOWNSEND
OF DERBY

HELD IN THE
CORPORATION ART GALLERY
DERBY

October 7th to December 2nd, 1944

ERNEST TOWNSEND OF DERBY

1881-1944

BORN in Derby, Mr. Townsend was trained at the Derby School of Art; Heatherley's School, London; and at the Royal Academy Schools.

At the Academy he gained medals for drawing from the Antique and from Life, and Scholarships for painting Figure and Landscape.

After completing his course at the Academy he spent a period studying in Paris and Holland.

Early portraits exhibited at the R.A. were of the late T. C. Simmonds, Esq., Principal of the Derby School of Art, and A. F. Smith, Esq., for many years organist of St. Werburgh's Church, Derby, which are hung in this Exhibition.

Mr. Townsend was equally successful with interior and subject pictures, landscape and flowers, and at one period he devoted much time to the painting of toy balloons which were reproduced in colour after being exhibited in London, Paris and the Royal Scottish Academy.

It will be remembered that he recorded much of the early history of Derby in the large frieze which he painted for the Derby Pavilion at the Wembley Exhibition in 1924.

Among more recent works are "Conversation Pieces," Mr. Alfred Goodey and his friends and Dr. Keatinge and family. The former was said to be the picture of the year at the Royal Society of Portrait Painters' Exhibition in 1937.

His pictures have been purchased for the permanent collections of Melbourne Australia, Hull, Burton-on-Trent and Derby.

Among many portraits are those of His Majesty King George VI, the eighth and ninth Dukes of Devonshire, The Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill, M.P., Viscount Milton, Lord Roe, Sir Henry Bemrose, Sir Ernest Paget, Sir Ernest Shentall, Sir Francis Ley, Sir Gordon Ley, Sir Walter Womersley, M.P., and Sir Robert and Lady Doncaster.

Many Mayoral portraits, the first Lady Mayor, Mrs. E. Petty, and the first Bishop of Derby, Dr. Courtney Pearce.

In Mr. Goodey's collection of pictures of old Derby are many examples of outdoor work permanently recorded.

Many exhibition pictures had as an inspiration the old house in Full Street in which Mr. Townsend lived for a time and where he continued to work until the time of his death.

The fine quality and infinite variety of his work place him as the foremost painter in Derby since Joseph Wright.

He took little part in public life but was for many years a member of the Derby Sketching Club and of the Derby Art Gallery Committee, where his ever ready and helpful advice and judgment were greatly appreciated.

Catalogue

Pictures, other than those bearing the owner's name, are for sale. For prices and particulars enquiries should be made of the Curator.

1. Portrait of the Rt. Hon. J. H. Thomas. *Lent by Derby Art Gallery.*
M.P. for Derby 1910-1936. Painted in 1935 to mark the completion of 25 years' service as M.P. for Derby.
2. The Attic Stairs. *Lent by Derby Art Gallery (Goodey Col.).*
3. The Yellow Jug. *Lent by Mr. C. A. Moughton.*
4. Cliffords Inn, London E.C. *Lent by Mr. E. M. Pybus.*
Painted in 1905.
5. Portrait of Lt.-Col. G. A. Lewis, C.M.G. *Lent by Lt.-Col. G. A. Lewis.*
6. Balloons. *Lent by Mrs. B. Stone.*
7. Coming Downstairs. *Lent by Mrs. B. Stone.*
8. Derby Market Place, Carnival Day, 1935. *Lent by Derby Art Gallery (Goodey Coll.).*
Exhibited Royal Academy 1937.
9. Peonies.
10. Asters.
11. "Morning." *Lent by Derby Art Gallery.*
Exhibited at the Royal Academy 1918.
12. Refugee.
13. Balloon Shop.
Exhibited at the Royal Academy, Paris Salon, etc.
14. Conversation Piece: The four children of Mr. C. W. Gibson (Robin, Joy, Imogen and Penelope). *Lent by Mr. C. W. Gibson.*
Painted 1937.
15. Scene at Whitby. *Lent by Mr. C. E. Bray.*
16. "Rugby."
Exhibited Royal Academy 1940.
17. Willows and Weeds.
18. "Dorothy."
19. Portrait of B. A. Mallender, Esq. *Lent by the owner.*

20. Carnival Day.
Exhibited Royal Academy 1943.
21. Portrait of Brig.-Gen. Edward C. W. D. Walthall, C.M.G., D.S.O.,
J.P. *Lent by the owner.*
22. Ald. Mrs. E. Petty. *Lent by Derby Corporation.*
23. H.M. King George VI. *Lent by Derby Corporation.*
Painted 1937.
24. Portrait of T. H. Thorpe, Esq. *Lent by the owner.*
Exhibited at the Royal Academy 1934.
25. The Dolls' Parade. *Lent by Derby Art Gallery.*
Painted 1928.
26. Ald. William R. Raynes, J.P. *Lent by Derby Corporation.*
Painted in 1942.
27. Girl's Head. *Lent by Mrs. B. Stone.*
28. Lady sewing. *Lent by Mrs. B. Stone.*
29. Portrait of a Lady with violin. *Lent by Mr. W. B. Gowers.*
30. Finishing Touches.
31. Portrait of Sir Edwin Ann (1852-1913). *Lent by Derby Art
Gallery.*
Founder of the Midland Drapery Co., Derby, in 1882, and Mayor of Derby
1898-9 and 1905-6.
32. Charles Beamont, Esq.
33. The Gold Dressing Gown.
34. "The New Order."
Coventry, November, 1940.
35. Manchester Cathedral, January, 1941.
36. Portrait of Dr. Pearce, first bishop of Derby. *Lent by Derby
Art Gallery.*
37. Self Portrait. *Lent by Mr. A. E. Goodey.*
38. An old Derby Interior Scene. *Lent by Mr. A. E. Goodey.*
39. Conversation Piece : Dr. Keatinge and Family. *Lent by Dr.
G. F. Keatinge.*
40. A. F. Smith, Esq.
For many years organist of St. Werburgh's Church, Derby.
41. Allestree Poplar. *Lent by Mr. A. E. Goodey.*
42. T. Wolstenholme, Esq.
43. At Fields Farm, Allestree. *Lent by Mr. A. E. Goodey.*
44. Conversation Piece. *Lent by Mr. A. E. Goodey.*
This painting was commissioned by Mr. A. E. Goodey in 1936 and the persons
depicted are, from left to right : A. Mottershead, A. G. Coleby, F. Smith,
J. Bottom, A. E. Goodey, J. York, W. C. Goodchild, E. J. Knights.
Exhibited at the Royal Society of Portrait Painters' Exhibition 1937.

45. The Potter. *Lent by Mr. W. B. Gowers.*
46. The Balloon Man. *Lent by Mr. J. J. Nicholson.*
47. Portrait of W. H. Walton, Esq. *Lent by Derby Public Libraries.*
Borough Librarian 1911-1930.
48. Mayor's Parlour, Tenant Street, 1909. *Lent by Derby Art Gallery (Goodey Coll.).*
49. Persian Cat. *Lent by Mr. D. P. Lewis.*
50. Roses.
51. Portrait of Lord Roe of Derby (1832-1923). *Lent by Derby Art Gallery.*
M.P. for Derby 1885-95 and 1900-1916. Mayor 1867-8, 1896-7, 1910-11.
Painted in 1921.
52. John Crompton Inglefield as Midshipman. *Lent by Lady Inglefield.*
53. The Dolls' Tiff.
54. Cottage Interior. *Lent by Mr. T. H. Thorpe.*
55. The Studio Stairs.
56. Arctic Tern.
57. A corner of the Hundred Mennes Hall, St. Cross, near Winchester.
Lent by Mr. E. B. Hassall.
58. The Pink Dress—portrait of Mrs. Wm. Bemrose. *Lent by Mr. Wm. Bemrose.*
59. Portrait of J. B. Peart, Esq. *Lent by Mr. J. B. Peart.*
60. Portrait of T. C. Simmonds. *Lent by Derby Art Gallery.*
Headmaster of Derby School of Art from its inception in 1876 to 1881.
He returned in 1885 and remained headmaster until his death in 1912.
61. Portrait of Ald. W. H. Hoare. *Lent by Ald. W. H. Hoare.*
62. Fish Market, Market Place, c.1920. *Lent by Derby Art Gallery (Goodey Coll.).*
63. Dunkirk.
64. Portrait of Lady Doncaster. *Lent by Sir Robert Doncaster.*
65. Portrait of the late Sir Ernest Shentall. *Lent by Chesterfield Corporation.*
Mayor of Chesterfield 1914-18.
66. "Football."
Exhibited Royal Academy 1943.
67. Portrait of Sir Robert Doncaster. *Lent by Sir Robert Doncaster.*
68. Schoolboy's Holiday.
69. Summer Morning—interior.
70. Portrait of Brig.-Gen. W. Wright Bemrose, V.D., J.P., D.L.
Lent by Mr. Wm. Bemrose.

71. Mr. A. E. Goodey as "Thibaut d'Aussigny" in "If I were King." *Lent by Mr. A. E. Goodey.*
Grand Theatre, Derby, April 1926. (Midland Dramatics production).
72. Home Guards on Night Patrol, near Derby.
73. The Shot Tower, Derby. *Lent by Mr. A. E. Goodey.*
Built 1809, demolished 1935.
Water Colour.
74. Carnival Day, Derby 1936. *Lent by Mr. A. E. Goodey.*
Site now occupied by the New Town Hall buildings.
75. Lilies and Delphiniums. *Lent by Mr. A. G. Gibson.*
76. Marigolds. *Lent by Mrs. B. Stone.*
77. "A Native of Derbyshire." *Lent by Dr. Shearwood.*
Pastel.
78. Portrait of Edward Horton. *Lent by Mr. S. Horton.*
Pastel.
79. W. Manderson, Esq.
80. Portrait of Henry Boden. *Lent by Derby Liberal Club.*
81. Sweet Peas. *Lent by Mr. T. H. Thorpe.*
82. Delphiniums. *Lent by Ald. H. Hoare.*
83. Interior Scene, Haddon Hall.
84. The Chapel, Haddon Hall.
85. "Knitting."
86. Antirrhinums. *Lent by Mr. J. H. Clark.*
87. Interior Scene.
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88. Back way to "George Inn." *Lent by Derby Art Gallery (Goodey Coll.).*
Painted 1907.
89. Portrait of the late Ald. Oswald Ling. *Lent by Coun. Alec Ling.*
Mayor of Derby 1922-3.
90. "Mary."
Pastel.
91. Portrait of an Old Man.
Pastel.
92. Daffodils. *Lent by Mr. T. H. Thorpe.*
93. "Marsh Marigolds." *Lent by Mr. A. E. Goodey.*
94. Tansy and Yarrow. *Lent by Mr. A. E. Goodey.*
95. Balloon Barrage, 1940. *Lent by Mr. A. E. Goodey.*
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96. Manchester Cathedral.
97. "Breakfast Time." *Lent by Miss E. M. Coles.*
David, Son of the Artist.

98. Broadgate, Coventry, after an air-raid. *Lent by Mr. A. E. Goodey.*
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99. Girl's Head. *Lent by Mr. R. H. Pybus.*
100. Old Cottages, Horsley. *Lent by Mr. E. B. Hassall.*
101. Second Exeter Bridge. *Lent by Derby Art Gallery (Goodey Coll.).*
102. Marigolds. *Lent by Mr. T. H. Thorpe.*
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109. The Striped Shawl.
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116. Preparing for the Fair.
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