

Moule

Henry Joseph
1825 - 1904

His Life

Henry Joseph Moule was born on 25th September 1825 at the Vicarage in Gillingham, Dorset. He was the eldest of eight sons. His father was Rev Henry Moule (1801 - 1880), the curate of Fordington Church and his mother was Mary Mullet Evans (1802 - 1877).

Henry and his brothers were educated at home by their mother.

Henry went to Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, gaining a B.A. in 1848 and an M.A. in 1853.

He had several different occupations after university including tutoring and working in a library.

He met Thomas Hardy the author about 1854. Hardy became friendly with the Moule family and Henry gave young Thomas drawing lessons.

In the early 1860s Henry came to Gatehouse of Fleet to be the factor on the Cally Estate for the owner Mr Horatio Murray Stewart.

On 5th June 1862 Henry married Elizabeth Young in Edinburgh. The couple set up house in Rosebank, a large house at the top of Ann Street in Gatehouse. The family lived there for 15 years and are believed to have had 4 children.

In the 1871 Girthon census, 3 children were living at Rosebank with their parents : Margaret Elizabeth (born 1864), Henry Reginald (born 1866) and John Frederick (born 1870).

Henry left the employment of the Cally Estate in 1877 and briefly worked in Ireland before returning to his native Dorset.

In the 1881 census the family were lodging at a house in Weymouth, Dorset.

In the 1891 census Henry was living in Dorchester with one daughter - Margaret. He was the 'curator of a museum and manager of the Institute'. (He was curator of Dorset Museum). His wife Elizabeth was not at home on census night. In 1901 the couple were still living in Dorchester.

Henry Joseph Moule died in Dorchester on 13th March 1904 and was buried at Fordington.

While he lived in Gatehouse, Henry painted many scenes around the town and on the Cally Estate. Later in life he collected together his various sketches into 12 volumes - one which was entitled Anwoth & Girthon and which has now been generously donated by the Moule family to the Dorset County Museum at Dorchester.

Many of these can be seen on the two website links below.

His Work

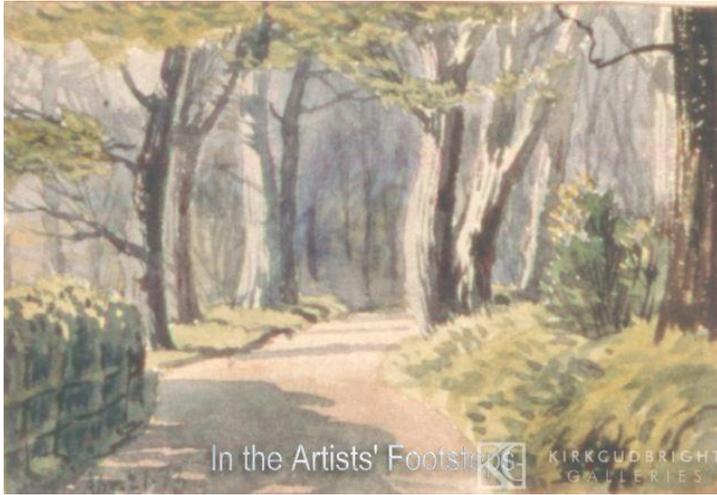
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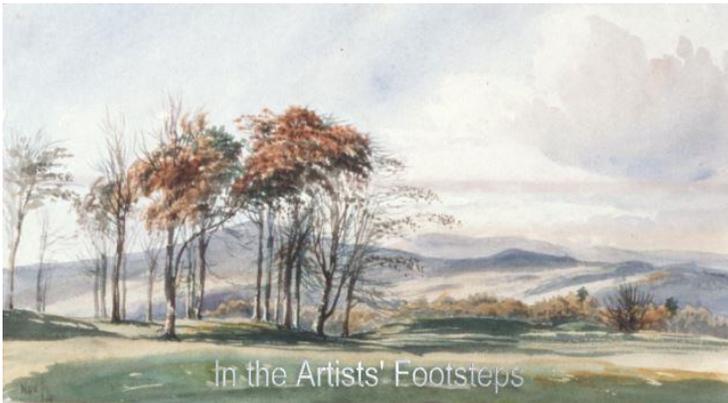




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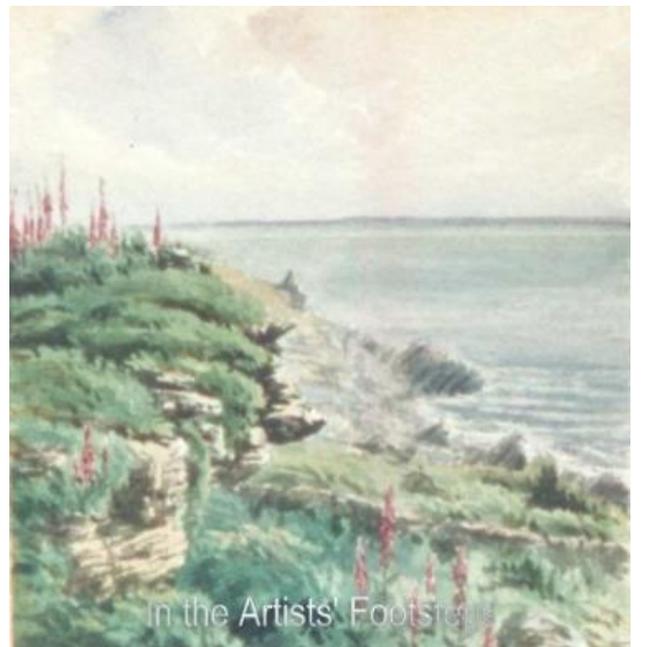
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Kirkdale Rocks with Isle of Man in Distance



At Carrick



In Parsonage Wood