

**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	Statue
Oberlin College Council Hall	1871-4		Oberlin	OH	Demolished 1930
Tremont School	1872		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Colonel Frank Lynch Residence	1872	2913 Clinton Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Lewis Kies Residence	1872	4208 Prospect 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
Block of stores	1881		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Block for Oscar Townsend	1881	721-711 West St. Clair	Cleveland	OH	Demolished

H.P. McIntosh Residence	1881	1071 Superior Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
S. Brainard and Sons	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
Evangelical Association Building	1884	1903-23 Woodland	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Monroe Street Cemetery Gatehouse	nd		Cleveland	Ohio	Standing

**Sources:**

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