

John Mackintosh, the "Toffee King", was a devout Methodist and a member and supporter of Queen's Road Chapel, Halifax. He became a councillor in 1913, but his health gave cause for concern: he died in 1920 aged only 52.

In his speech at the stone-laying he mentioned that he had just returned from a four-months' holiday, undertaken for health reasons. He also said that he participated in the stone -laying with pleasure, since he was interested in everything there was in Sunday School and Church work, especially in connection with the Methodist Church.

He contributed £12/12/- (i.e. 12 guineas) to the fund-equivalent to about a £1000 in today's money.

