### Trentham Architects - The Men Behind the Bricks and Mortar

### Charles Barry

1795 – 1860

A brief view of his life and significant works



Charles Barrys



### Early Life 1795 - 1833

1795 - Born in London the 4th son of a prosperous Westminster stationer

1811 - articled to a firm of surveyors

1817 - embarked on an extensive architectural tour of Europe and the Middle East, including studying Italian Renaissance architecture in Florence and Rome

1821 - established himself in Holborn

1822 - early work was designing churches and some public buildings in classical and Gothic styles

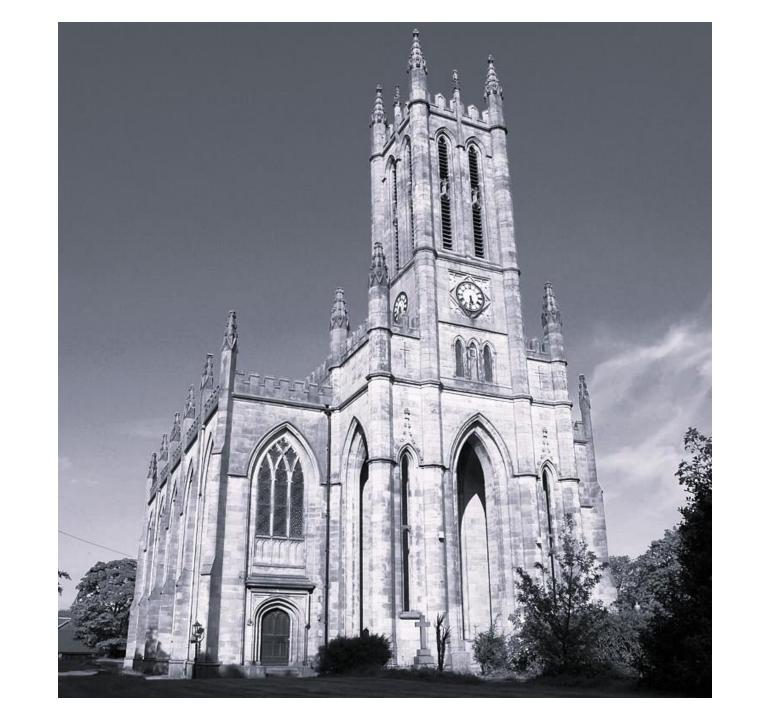
1826 - marked his first Italianate design

1829 – designed his first Italianate residence and garden

1833 – started work at Trentham

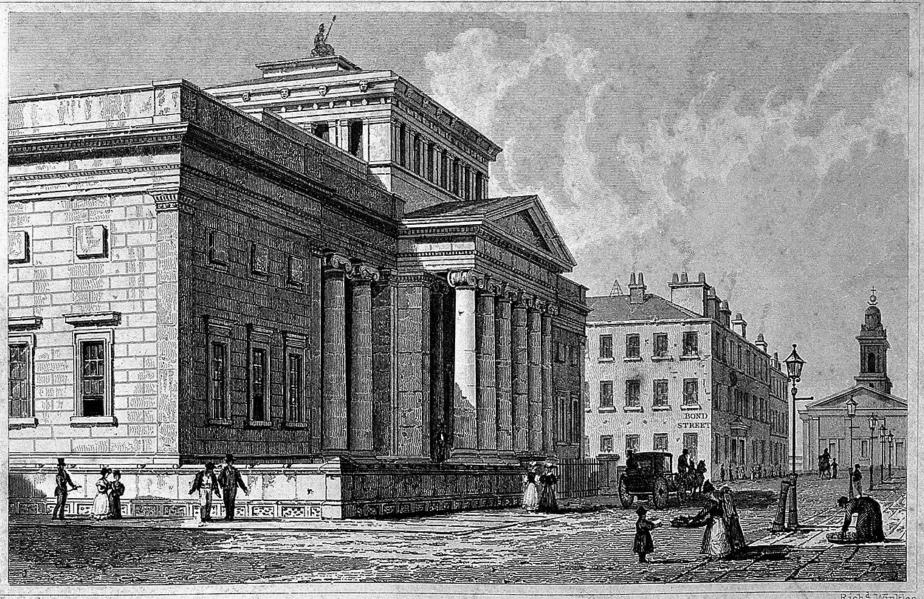
1822 All Saints Church Stand Manchester

**Gothic style** 



1824 Royal Institution of **Fine Arts** Manchester

Greek revival style



Rich Winkles

1826 Brunswick Chapel now St Andrew's Hove

First Italianate design



1829 Thomas Attree's Villa Brighton

First
Italianate
residence
and garden

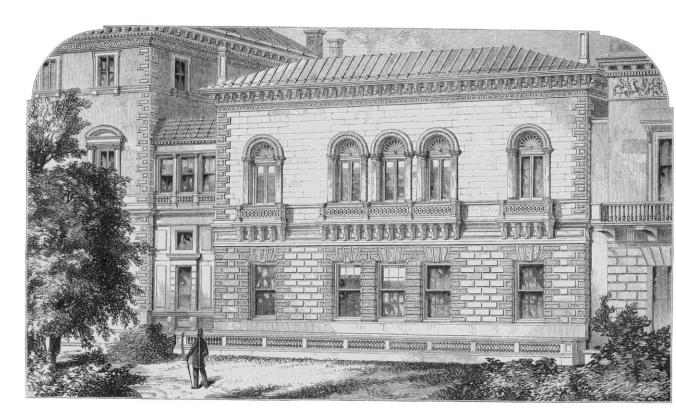


#### THE TRAVELLERS CLUB



This Italianate design made his name in London circles

### 1829 Travellers Club Pall Mall London



1833 - 1842 Remodelling Trentham Hall and surrounds and creation of gardens



### Highlights from 1834 – 1860

1834 – continued work at Trentham

1836 – won commission to design new Palace of Westminster

1840 - remodelled Trafalgar Square

1842 – completed work at Trentham

1842 – remodelled Highclere Castle

1844 - remodelled Dunrobin Castle

1844 – virtual rebuilding Treasury

1850 – awarded Gold Medal for Architecture

1852 - knighted for services to architecture

1852 – last major country house remodelling Cliveden

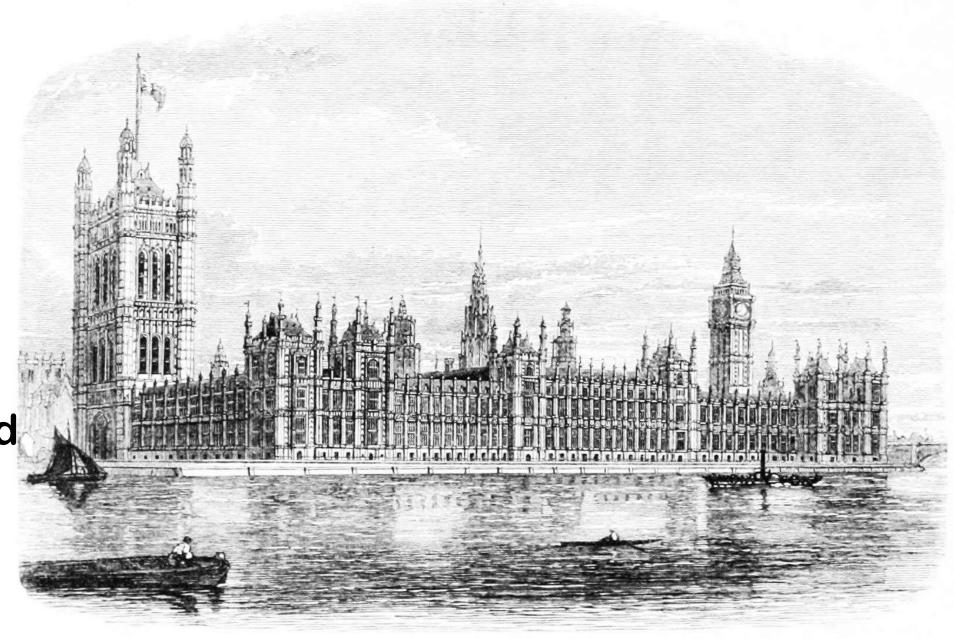
1860 – died aged 64, buried in Westminster Abbey



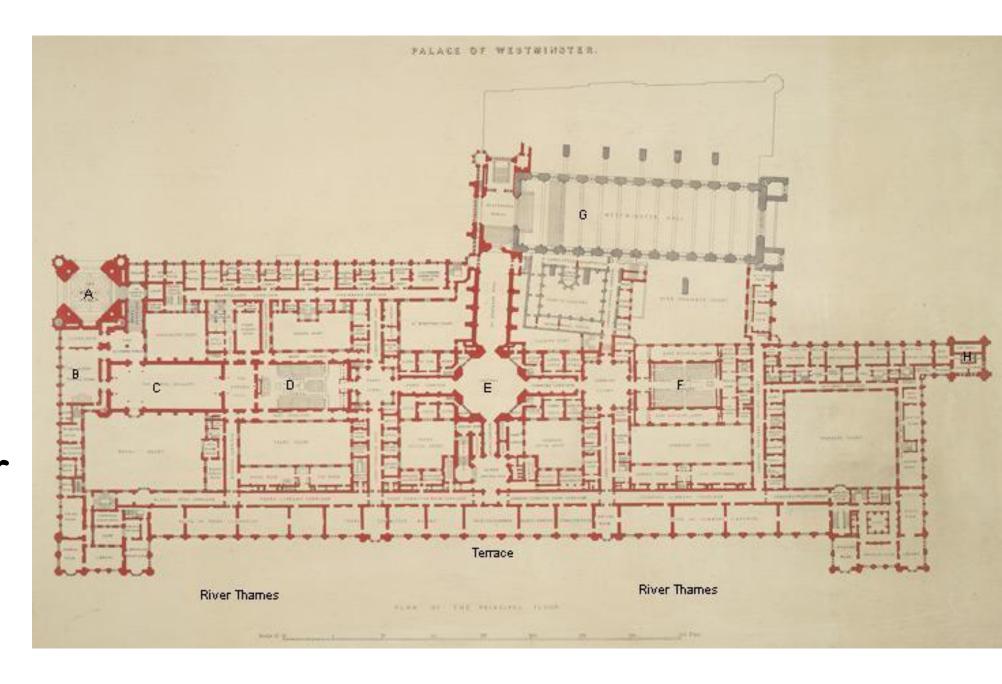
1836
Palace of
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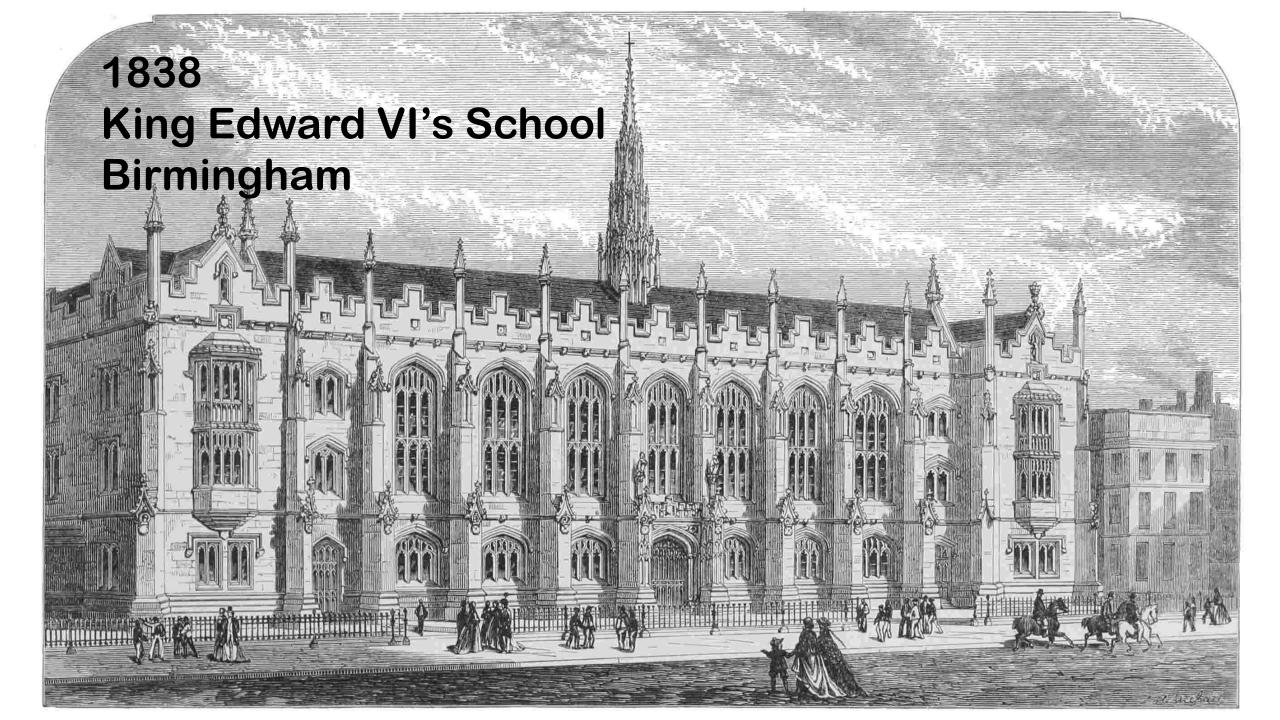
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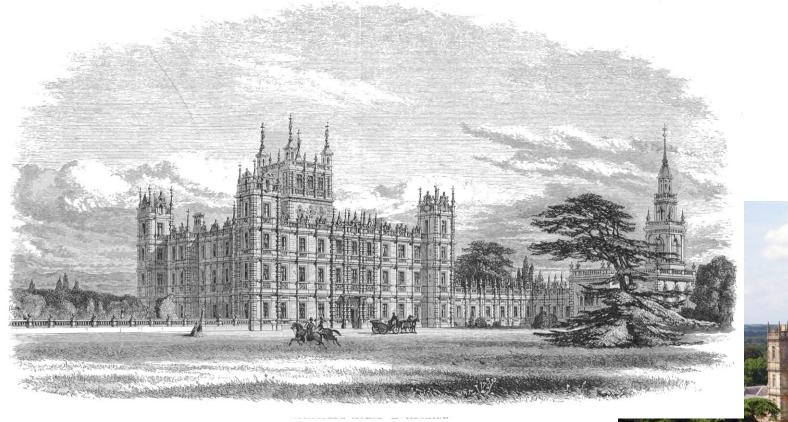
Not completed until after his death



Barry's floor plan for the Palace of Westminster

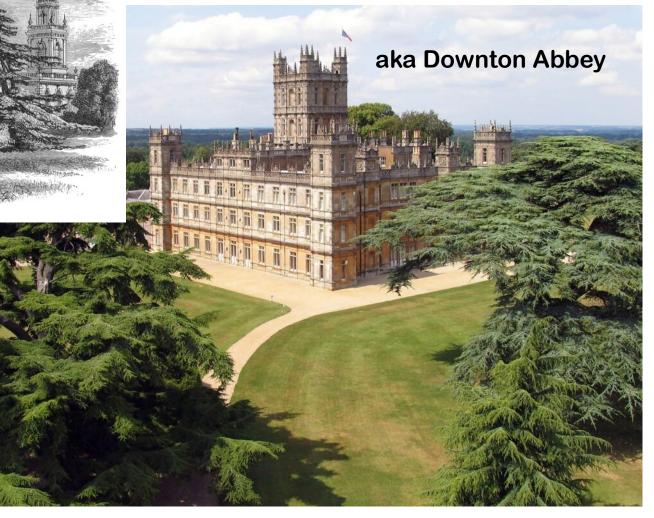


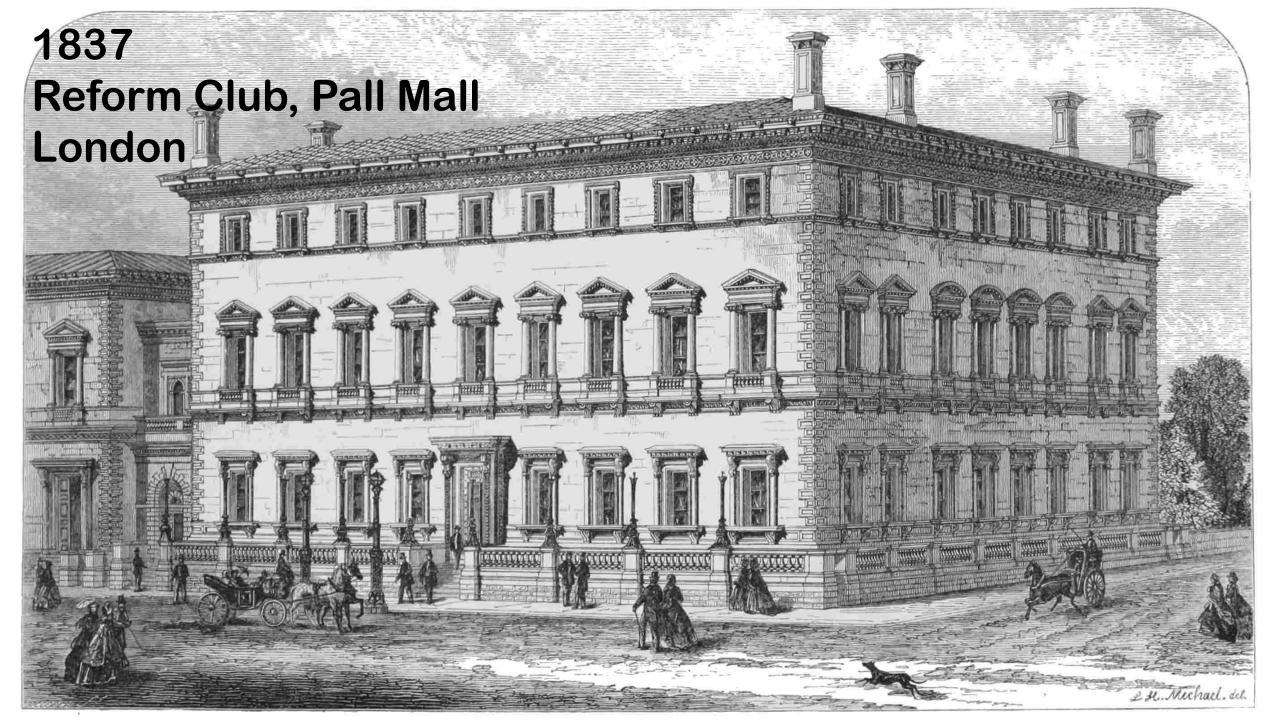




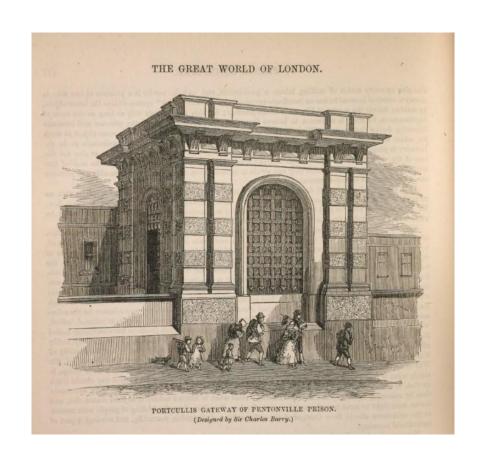
1842 Highclere Castle

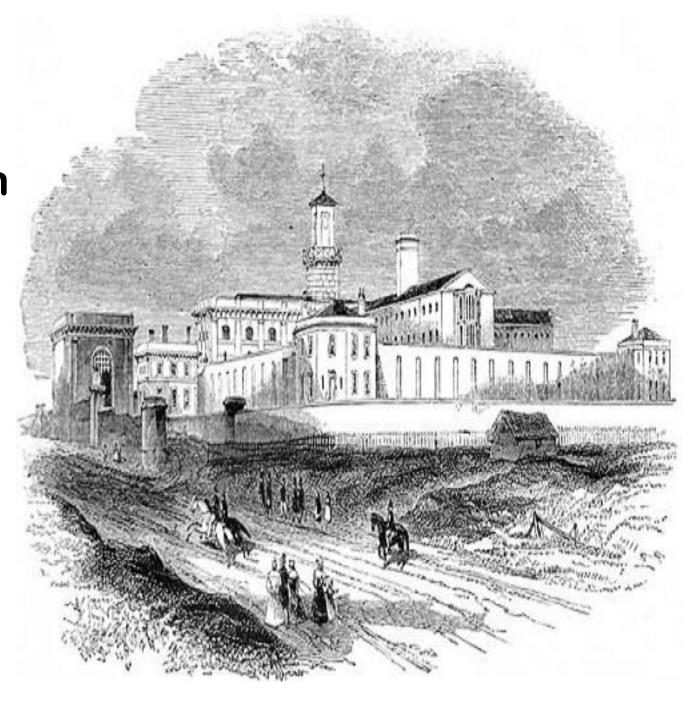
Remodelled in Elizabethan style





## 1841 Portcullis Gateway Pentonville model Prison





1844
Remodelling of Dunrobin Castle
Dukes of Sutherland's
family seat in Scotland

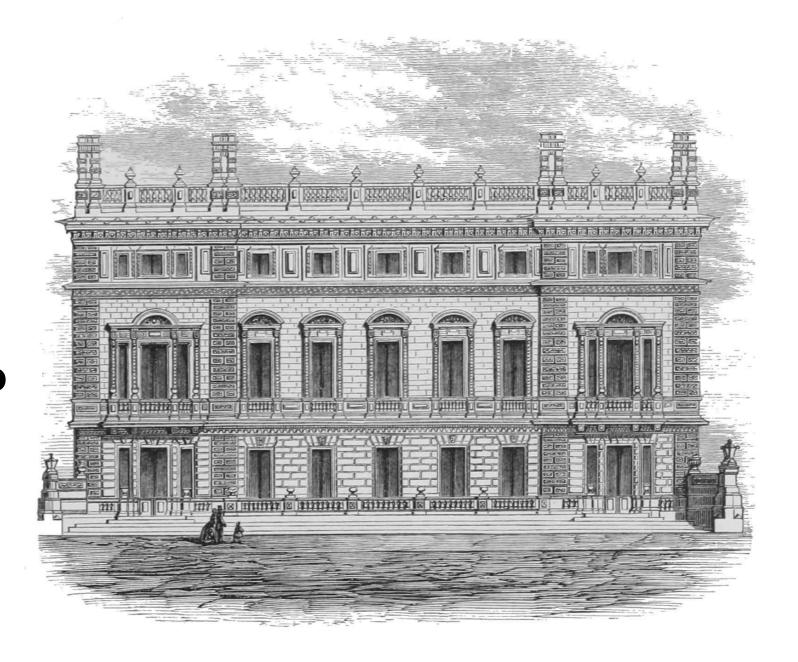
**Scottish baronial style** 



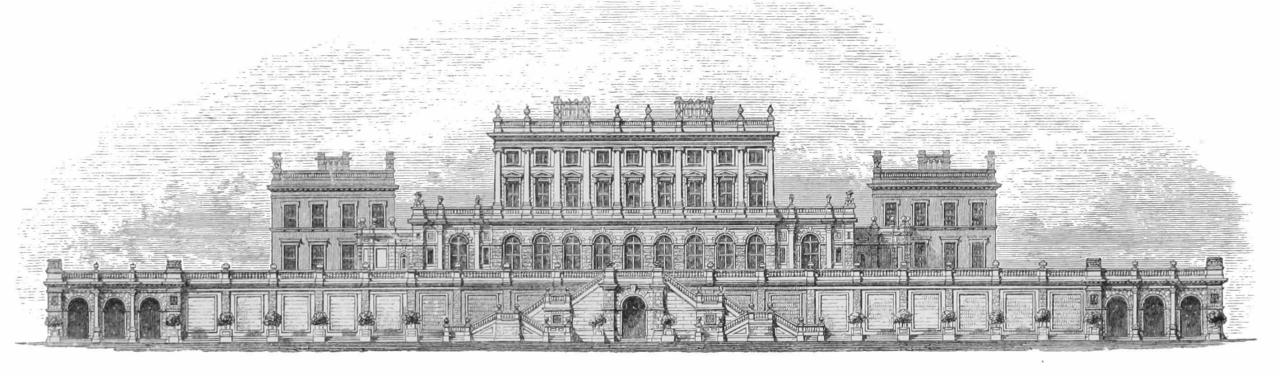


1850 Bridgewater House St James, London

Re-design in Palazzo style



# 1850 Cliveden, Buckinghamshire Rebuilding in the Italianate style for the Duke and Duchess of Sutherland



1859 Halifax Town Hall

His last major commission, designed by Barry, but completed by his son Edward Middleton Barry



#### 1860 Death and Funeral

Barry died suddenly of a heart attack at his home in Clapham.

His funeral and interment took place in Westminster Abbey.

The inscription on the tomb reads:

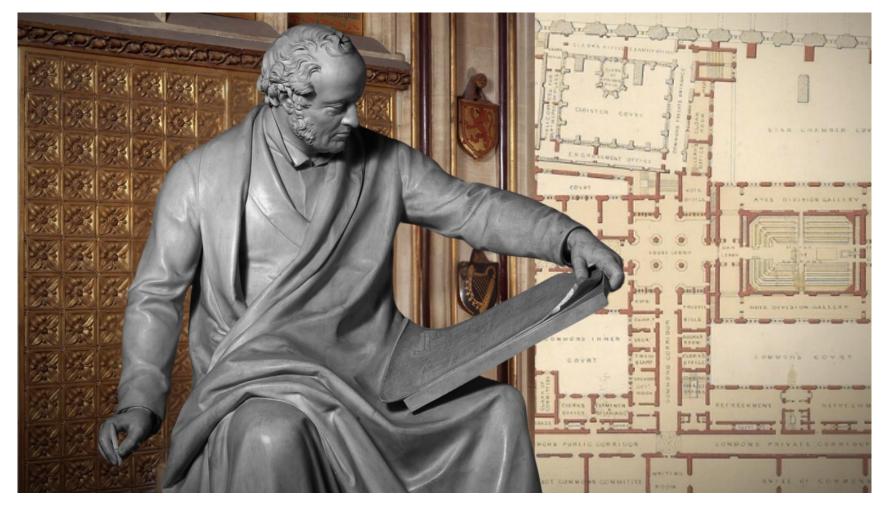
Sacred to the memory of Sir Charles Barry, Knight R.A. F.R.S. Architect of the New Palace of Westminster and other buildings, who died the 12th May A.D. 1860, aged 64 years and lies buried beneath this brass.



#### In Memoriam

Following Barry's death, a life size marble sculpture of him was carved by John Henry Foley.

It was set up at the foot of the Committee Stairs in the Palace of Westminster.



The statue shows him with images of his architectural sketches of the Palace of Westminster floorplan

### See also a companion presentation covering Barry's work at Trentham Charles Barry and his Grand Designs for Trentham

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