

Matthew Henry Holding and Edith de Wilde

Matthew Holding and Edith de Wilde were married in St Andrew's on the 1st August 1878.

At the time of their wedding Edith lived with her father, George James, and her mother, Louisa, at the Manor House in Cotterstock. She was born in Northampton in 1852.

Matthew Henry Holding was also born in Northampton on the 13th July 1846, his father Henry was a carpenter and his mother Ann a housewife.



Matthew was a well-known architect; he was articled to Charles Buckeridge and by 1878 had set up his own architectural practice at 1 Market Square, Northampton. He was elected an Associate of the Royal Institute of British Architects on the 23rd May 1881 and by 1891 he had moved his practice to the Corn Exchange in Northampton.

In the 1890s he designed the extension to The Guildhall in Northampton and several new churches including St Matthew's Church.



He also designed St Mary's in Far Cotton in 1884-5.



and Christ Church on the Wellingborough Road in 1903-6.

Also Holy Trinity on Balmoral Road in 1909.



Matthew and Edith had a son Henry deWilde Holding who was christened on the 21 September at St Edmunds Church, Northampton - he features in the 1881 census.

They spent the whole of their married life living and working in Northampton, their last residence being 5 Spencer Parade.

Matthew died on the 6th June 1910 aged 63 years and Edith in April 1926 aged 74.

