

Laying the Reading Abbey Foundation

Charles Pinker



A Corshill stone panel on the facade of the Old Town Hall, commemorating Henry I who was the founder of Reading Abbey and who was buried before the high altar there. It is located on the frieze between the main doors to the Museum and Old Town Hall and was installed in 1888 after the building was opened in 1882. The architect was Thomas Lainson and the sculptor Charles Pinker. The scene depicts Henry laying the foundation stone for the Abbey