

Lee, John Edward

(1808-1887)



Biographical and Other Notes

Born at Newland near Cottingham, Yorkshire. Interest in science, archaeology and natural history. Worked at his uncles' shipping office in Hull, then due to ill health travelled Europe. In 1841 he settled in South Wales, where he became a partner in the iron works of J.J. Cordes and Co. of Newport, manufacturers of nails and rivets. Founder member of the Monmouth and Caerlion Antiquarian Society. Lived at Caerleon Priory, Monmouthshire. Catalogued Roman artefacts found locally, wrote on Roman coins and produced a photographic/lithographic catalogue in 1874. In 1868 he moved his family to Torquay in Devon. Donated his collection of 21,000 fossil specimens in 31 cabinets to the BM in 1885.

Sources and References

HEM Encyclopædia 4 – Biographical.

<http://www.19thcenturyphotos.com/John-Edward-Lee-and-his-son-126013.htm>

includes photo J.E. Lee with his son.