

*CHARLES HENRY SIMPSON*

C H Simpson was born in 1856. He left school at the age of 14 .and was apprenticed to Cornish and Gaymer of North Walsham, Norfolk. He worked in many churches, especially in the County of Norfolk, and also in Durham and Norwich Cathedrals as well as Southwell Minster. He took a great pride in his work and the detail in his nature carvings is remarkable. Although there is greater diversity in Simpson's work, he mirrored many aspects of the carvings in the Chapter House (see the pigs eating acorns). The cartoons for these choir stalls were given to the Minster in 1934 on condition that they were not copied. Charles Simpson worked for Cornish and Gaymer for 65 years, and died in 1936.