Alec Miller  1879-1961
Carver Guildsman Sculptor

Alec Miller was born in poverty in Glasgow, became a trained woodcarver, worked for six years in the Guild of Handicraft run by CR Ashbee in Chipping Campden, and then worked there as an independent carver and sculptor in stone and wood until he emigrated with his family to America in 1939. He died and was buried in Kent.

He carved a great deal of work for churches, and many War Memorials after the First World War. He also carved about 600 portrait sculptures, almost all in wood - his favourite material, and much decorative work. He exhibited at the Royal Academy show for a number of years, was a sought after lecturer and wrote two books about sculpture.

I have written and published a biography of Alec Miller. It is almost 300 pages and has over 300 illustrations. It costs £14 plus £3 postage and packing. Further information about the book and how it may be purchased can be obtained from:

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Paul Atterbury, Design and Antiques expert from the Antiques Roadshow, writes: 'this study of Alec Miller's life and work is very valuable. It rescues him from an undeserved oblivion but, more important, it offers a rich insight into the history of the Arts and Crafts Movement as it really was, an escape from the modern dependence on famous names'.