CRANE, Walter, A.R.W.S., painter (oil and water colour), decorator, designer, book-illustrator, writer, socialist; b. Liverpool, 15 Aug. 1845; 2nd s. of Thomas Crane, artist, Chester; m. Mary Frances, d. of late Thomas Andrews, Hempstead, Essex, 1871. Educ. privately; mostly self-taught. Apprenticed three wars to W. J. Linton; first illustrated book, The New Forest, 1863; exhibited at the R.A. at sixteen,

1862; at Dudley Gallery, 1866-82; member of Com.; member of Royal Institute of Painters in Oil and Water Colour, 1882-86 (resigned); Associate of Royal Society of Painters in Water Colours, 1889; silver medal, Paris (for The Diver), 1889; silver medal, Society of Arts, for lecture, Applied Arts and their relation to Common Life; gold medal, Munich (for Chariots of the Hours), 1895; first President Arts and Crafts Ex. Society, 1888; Examiner in Design at South Kensington; Director of Design, Manchester Municipal School of Art, from 1893-96 (resigned). Publications: Picture Books, 1865-76; Baby's Opera, 1877; Baby's Banquet, 1879; Mrs. Mundi, 1875; Pan-Piper, 1882; Grimm's Household Stories, 1882; First of May, 1883; Baby's Own Æsop, 1886; Flora's Feast, 1889; Queen Summer, 1891; Claims of Decorative Art, 1892; Renascence, 1891; A Wonder Book, 1892; The Old Garden, 1893; Decorative Illustration of Books, 1896, etc. Recreations: lawn tennis, riding. Address: Holland Street, Kensington. Clubs: Art Workers' Guild, New Vagabonds'.



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