





Enterprising spirit and generous heart

he name of Tommaso Tadini is inseparable from the history of Stresa.

Born in Stresa on July 6, 1863, he died there on June 21, 1928 and was one of the leading figures of the local society between the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries as the author of important projects in the public sector and urban planning. He was a surveyor and planned the Palazzina Liberty (originally built as a Nursery School), the municipal aqueduct, the construction of public lighting, the project for the Mottarone electric railway together with its Management Company.

He built streets, houses and villas thus greatly promoting the transition of the small town of Stresa from the nineteenth century to twenty years of incredible development. He had an open mind, a strong spirit of initiative, he was a tenacious and tireless worker and loved Stresa with all his being. Despite the contrasts and difficulties, his talent and his tireless work have transformed Stresa, giving it progress and prosperity.

Tommaso Tadini's name is also associated with important charities, in particular the Rest Home which bears his name.

During the First World War he was president of the Civil Committee.

He founded the "School of Drawing for Workers", a worthy popular initiative. With an affectionate spirit he held the position of President of the Nursery School until the end of his days.

Always close to him, sharing his life and work, was his dedicated wife Luisa Minola di Vedasco.

In addition to his merits during his life, Tadini left numerous testamentary legts, as we can read in a letter that the Podestá Ferdinando Basile wrote to the widow some time after his death.

"I was able to examine the testamentary dispositions of your late husband, Cav. Uff. Geom. Tommaso Tadini and I was greatly moved by the words he had for the town he was so fond of, words that show the great heart of the Deceased". "While I assure you that the will of the Deceased will be respected now and in the future, I pray you to accept the respectful homage of the population of whom I convey the feelings of heartfelt gratitude."

("Il Gazzettino di Stresa Borromeo", November 15, 1928, n.22).



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Concessione d'acqua - Con domanda in data 21 novembre 1899 diretta alla R. Prefettura di Novara il geom. sig. Tadini Tommaso ha chiesto la concessione di derivare in territorio di Gignese ed a sponda sinistra del torrente Airola affluente del torrente Erno, moduli 1,00 di acqua, atti a produrre col salto utile di metri 196, la forza nominale di cavalli dinamici 261,33 a scopo di trazione elettrica di una ferrovia da costruirsi da Stresa al Motterone. A corredo della domanda sovradetta vennero prodotti una relazione, quattro tavole di disegni col calcolo delle spese compilati dall'ing. sig. Perini e dal ricorrente sig. geom. Tadini in data 20 no-

La domanda suddetta e il relativo decreto Prefettizio in data 22 febbraio 1900, rimarranno pubblicati in copia autentica nei comuni di Gignese e Graglia Piana dal giorno 6 marzo 1900 a tutto il 22 dello stesso mese; la domanda originale, il decreto Prefettizio, documenti e disegni rimarranno depositati nell'ufficio comunale di Gignese fino al

Il giorno 24 detto saranno inviati alla Prefettura di Novara.

La visita per la ricognizione locale da eseguirsi dall'ing. Capo Governativo del Genio Civile di questa Provincia, o da un suo Delegato, avrà luogo



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