

BARKER, THOMAS WILLIAM (1861 - 1912), registrar of the diocese of S. Davids

Name: Thomas William Barker
Date of birth: 1861
Date of death: 1912
Parent: J.H. Barker
Gender: Male
Occupation: registrar of the diocese of S. Davids
Area of activity: Religion
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Born 12 May 1861 at Carmarthen, son of J. H. Barker, a local solicitor, who himself served as clerk of the peace for Carmarthen borough and registrar of the diocese of S. Davids. He was educated at the Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Carmarthen, and at Harrow. Qualifying as a solicitor he became a member of the firm of Barker, Morris, and Barker, with his father as senior partner.

He was appointed secretary to the bishop of S. Davids in June 1897 and registrar of the diocese in February 1899, a position which he held until his death. In politics he was a Conservative. He was a keen naturalist and antiquary, and took an active part in many local movements - Volunteers, Boy Scouts, Freemasons, etc. He compiled a *Handbook to the Natural History of Carmarthenshire*, 1905, and *Particulars relating to the endowments, etc., of livings in the diocese of S. Davids*. The latter, published in 1907, appeared in four volumes - one for each archdeaconry in the diocese. In conjunction with Francis Green he compiled lists of Pembrokeshire incumbents, which were published in the *Transactions of the West Wales Historical Society*, i-vi, 1912-16. He died 7 July 1912.

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Sources

Episcopal registers of S. Davids

The Welshman, 1861 and 1912

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