

## DAFYDD GORLECH (1410? - 1490?), a writer of cywyddau brud (vaticinations)

**Name:** Dafydd Gorlech  
**Date of birth:** 1410?  
**Date of death:** 1490?  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** writer of cywyddau brud (vaticinations)  
**Area of activity:** Poetry  
**Author:** Raymond Wallis Evans

' Dafydd Gorlech Caermden ' according to Pen. MS. 49 (167b). Twenty-five *cywyddau* are attributed to him in the manuscripts, but eleven of these are attributed to other writers as well. Among the fourteen attributed to him alone there is a *cywydd* which begins ' Am eryr braich môr a bryn ' and contains references to [Sir Roger Vaughan](#). [Sir Roger](#) was caught by [Jasper Tudor](#) in 1471 and executed at Chepstow (see *G.G.G.*, 342). The poet is old and asks for protection. Couplets in the *cywydd* beginning ' Y brud hen wyd yn bratàGu ' suggest that Dafydd Gorlech survived [Dafydd Llwyd ap Llywelyn ap Gruffydd](#). His *cywyddau* contain references to prophecies attributed to Myrddin, [Taliesin](#), and Y Bardd Glas.

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