

DAVIES, DAVID LLOYD (Dewi Glan Peryddon; 1830 - 1881) poet, singer, etc., in Wales and U.S.A.

Name: David Lloyd Davies
Pseudonym: Dewi Glan Peryddon
Date of birth: 1830
Date of death: 1881
Gender: Male
Occupation: poet, singer, etc.
Area of activity: Eisteddfod; Music; Performing Arts; Poetry
Author: Robert (Bob) Owen

Born 3rd of March 1830 at Llwyn Einion, near Bala, brother to John Davies (Einion Ddu), he became prominent as an eisteddfodic entertainer and baritone singer both in Wales and in the U.S.A. A product of ' Cymdeithas Lenyddol Meirion,' he won several prizes at local and other eisteddfodau in Wales (and afterwards in America), including the national eisteddfod of 1865; he won the chair at Bethesda, Caernarfonshire, 1867, for an *awd*/on ' Tywyllwch ' (Darkness). Some *englynion* composed when he was 16 were published in *Yr Amserau* over the pseudonym of Dewi Einion. He was also a skilled writer of satirical and humorous verse, and contributed much material of that nature to *Y Wasg Americanaidd*; he was the editor of the ' Lloffion Difyrus ' feature in that newspaper, and in ' Y Cwprdd Cornel ' column of the same paper he gave vivid descriptions of some Merioneth 'characters' whom he had known when he lived in Wales, and of life in the Bala district, including an account of some contemporary minor poets in Bala and district. In the 50s and 60s of the 19th century he conducted choirs in the Llwyn Einion, Llanfachreth, Rhyd-y-main, and Towyn districts of Merioneth; he also composed some music. After he had emigrated to the U.S.A., his novel, ' *Ceinwen Morgan neu y Rian Dwylliedig* ' (with its background in Cwm Hirnant near his birthplace), was published serially in *Y Drych* (Utica) in 1870; he also won prizes for poems at eisteddfodau held in Kansas (1870), Hyde Park, Pa., Arvonnia (1872), Utica (1875), and Youngstown (1880). He died, penniless, 23 January 1881, at Oak Hill farm, Waterville, and was buried in the Ottawa cemetery, near Donsman, Wisconsin.

Author

Robert (Bob) Owen, (1885 - 1962)

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