## EVANS, DAVID (Dewi Haran; 1812 - 1885), auctioneer, valuer, land agent, and poet

Name: David Evans Pseudonym: Dewi Haran Date of birth: 1812 Date of death: 1885 Gender: Male Occupation: auctioneer, valuer, land agent, and poet Area of activity: Eisteddfod; Engineering, Construction, Naval Architecture and Surveying; Land Ownership; Nature and Agriculture; Poetry Author: Moelwyn Idwal Williams

Born at Llanharan, Glamorganshire, he was the son of a highly respected farmer, a calling which he himself pursued during the earlier part of his career. Although remembered primarily for his poetic compositions he was, during his life, chiefly identified with the calling of an auctioneer, valuer, and land agent. He possessed pronounced literary tastes and took a keen interest in Welsh literature and poetry. He contributed much to the periodical press and wrote several prize essays for the national and other eisteddfodau, receiving also numerous prizes for *englynion*, *pryddestau*, etc. He published some poems under the title of *Telyn Haran* in 1878 (Pontypridd, B. Davies); the volume, which was dedicated to lord Tredegar, was edited by <u>William Thomas (Glanffrwd, 1843 - 1890)</u>, and contains some English translations by <u>Titus Lewis (1822 - 1887)</u>. He died 6 July 1885.

### Author

#### Dr Moelwyn Idwal Williams

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