## EVANS, DAVID TUDOR (1822 - 1896), journalist

Name: David Tudor Evans Date of birth: 1822 Date of death: 1896 Parent: John Evans Gender: Male

Occupation: journalist

Area of activity: Literature and Writing; Printing and Publishing

Author: Owen Picton Davies

Born 3 February 1822 at Cilgynydd, Llanboidy, Carmarthenshire, son of John Evans, minister of Pen-y-groes, (Pembrokeshire) and Hebron, (Carmarthenshire) Independent churches. Early in life he became a successful draper at Narberth, and devoted much time to educational work, gaining the commendation of R. R. W. Lingen (see the 1847 *Report of Commissioners on Education in Wales*) for his services as secretary of Narberth district Sunday school union. Evans gave up his shop to establish at Haverfordwest (1847) a Liberal weekly newspaper, *The Principality*, which he transferred to Cardiff (1848) with <u>Evan Jones</u> (leuan Gwynedd, 1820 - 1852) as editor. The same year differences on educational policy led to the editor's resignation, and two years later the paper ceased publication, the venture leaving Evans the poorer by £5,000. He next founded the monthly, *Y Wawr*, which collapsed with the fifteenth issue. Thereafter Evans wrote much for the *Western Mail* and became a Conservative. He was secretary of the 1883 national eisteddfod held in Cardiff. Before his death on 2 October 1896 he received £100 from the Treasury in recognition of his literary services.

## **Author**

Owen Picton Davies, (1882 - 1970)

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