

## HUGHES, HUGH (Cadfan Gwynedd or ' Hughes Cadfan '; 1824 - 1898), one of the Welsh pioneers in Patagonia

**Name:** Hugh Hughes  
**Pseudonym:** Cadfan Gwynedd, Hughes Cadfan  
**Date of birth:** 1824  
**Date of death:** 1898  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** one of the Welsh pioneers in Patagonia  
**Area of activity:** Travel and Exploration  
**Author:** Richard Bryn Williams

Born 20 August 1824 in Anglesey, the eldest of twelve children. In 1850 he was a carpenter in Caernarvon, moved to Liverpool in 1857, and became one of the principal supporters of the colonial venture. In 1861 he delivered a lecture which he published under the title *Llawlyfr y Wladfa Cymreig*. He went to the colony with the first batch of emigrants in 1865, became a member of the council, a justice of the peace and, in 1875, governor of the settlement. He adopted the pseudonym Cadfan Gwynedd and was known in the colony as ' Hughes Cadfan.' He died 7 March 1898.

### Author

Reverend Richard Bryn Williams, (1902 - 1981)

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