

JENKINS, JOHN (1808 - 1884), barrister and publicist

Name: John Jenkins
Date of birth: 1808
Date of death: 1884
Parent: David Jenkins
Gender: Male
Occupation: barrister and publicist
Area of activity: Education; Law; Politics, Government and Political Movements; Printing and Publishing; Religion
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son of David Jenkins (a builder) and great-grandson of [Lewis Rees](#), was born at Swansea, 21 August 1808, and educated at Carmarthen (1824-6) and at Glasgow (M.A., 1831). After a period as Unitarian minister and schoolmaster at Yeovil (1832-7) and Bath (1837-9), he returned to Swansea and opened a school. He lectured in West Wales for the Anti-Corn-Law League. He was offered an assistant-commissionership by one of the commissioners in the Welsh Education inquiry of 1846, but the Privy Council quashed the appointment because he was a Unitarian - in a later inquiry (1858-9) of the same sort, however, he did take part. In 1847 he founded the *Swansea and Glamorgan Herald*, and edited it for ten years. Called to the Bar (from Gray's Inn) in 1865, he removed to London to practise as a Parliamentary draughtsman. He died 14 October 1884.

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Emeritus Professor Robert Thomas Jenkins, (1881 - 1969)

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