JONES, EDWARD (1782 - 1855), Wesleyan minister, known as ' Edward Jones the 3rd '

Name: Edward Jones Date of birth: 1782 Date of death: 1855 Gender: Male

Occupation: Wesleyan minister Area of activity: Religion Author: Robert Thomas Jenkins

Born in 1782 at Llantysilio near Llangollen. He was originally a Calvinistic Methodist, but began to preach in Wesley's connexion in 1805, and was sent on mission to Merthyr Tydfil; in 1808 he was stationed in London - the first preacher in Welsh among the Wesleyans there. After serving circuits for many years, he died at Llanidloes 22 July 1855, aged 73.

He wrote much in *Yr Eurgrawn*, of which he was editor from 1829 to 1835, and published a collection of hymns and (1833) a translation of Wesley's sermons. But he won fame chiefly as a controversialist. In 1812, he published *Cyflawn Wrthbrawf i'r Athrawiaeth o Barhad Diammodol mewn Gras*, a translation of a book by <u>Thomas Oliver(s)</u>; in 1819 *Amddiffynydd y Gwir*, a reply to a pamphlet by <u>John Parry (1775 - 1846)</u> of Chester; and in 1829 or 1830 *Lladmerydd* - this last provoked a furious reply, *Gwialen i Gefnyr Ynfyd* (1831), by <u>Edward Jones (1761 - 1836)</u> of Maes-y-plwm. He also took part in the internal disputes of his connexion in his day - see A.H. Williams, *Welsh Wesleyan Methodism*, chap. vi and p. 230.

Author

Emeritus Professor Robert Thomas Jenkins, (1881 - 1969)

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