

## JONES, EVAN (1790 - 1860), the last of the Usk japanners

**Name:** Evan Jones  
**Date of birth:** 1790  
**Date of death:** 1860  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** the last of the Usk japanners  
**Area of activity:** Art and Architecture; Business and Industry  
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was descended from the [Allgood](#) family. He bought the japannery from [John Pyrke](#) in 1826, but after the death of [John Hughes](#) (1784 - 1851), and of his artist Morgan Davies (1770 - 1837), he paid comparatively little attention to this business, and became increasingly absorbed in his farm, his ironmongery shop, his brickworks, and his gasworks, not to mention his participation in public life - he was an alderman of Usk and was six times portreeve. He was a close friend of Edward John Trelawny (1792 - 1881; see *D.N.B.*) during Trelawny's residence (1840-58) at Twyn Bell near Usk, on the estate of Cefn Ila which he had purchased. Evan Jones was a trustee of Twyn Congregational Church. He died 12 March 1860 and was buried at Twyn. He bequeathed his japannery to his niece Elizabeth Jones, who in 1869 married Philip John Pulling, sold off the stock in 1872, and emigrated to the United States.

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