JONES, JOHN EVANS (1839 - 1893), journalist

Name: John Evans Jones
Date of birth: 1839
Date of death: 1893
Gender: Male
Occupation: journalist
Area of activity: Literature and Writing; Printing and Publishing
Author: Edward Morgan Humphreys

Born at Bagillt, Flintshire, 1839. After apprenticeship to P.M. Evans, printer and publisher, Holywell, he entered the service of David Roberts, timber merchant, Liverpool, in 1867. While at Liverpool he began to preach and became a student at the Bala C.M. College with a view to entering the Calvinistic Methodist ministry. He did not proceed to ordination, decided to become a journalist, and in 1872 was appointed editor of *The Caernarvon and Denbigh Herald* at Caernarvon; after the death of John James Hughes (Alfardd), editor of *Yr Herald Cymraeg*, in 1875, he was appointed his successor, but resigned in 1879, confining himself to the English paper. He also edited for a while a monthly, *Y Darlunydd*, issued from the same office, for which he wrote over the pen-name ' Y Cwilsyn Gwyn.' He was the author of a series of sketches for children, under the general heading ' Huw Huws y Go a Ninnau,' which ran in *Trysorfa y Plant* from February 1862. He had a considerable reputation as an editor, but he was little known personally to his contemporaries. He died in June 1893 and was buried in Llanbeblig churchyard, Caernarvon.

Author

Edward Morgan Humphreys, (1882 - 1955)

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