

JONES, HUGH (1837 - 1919), Wesleyan minister and historian

Name: Hugh Jones
Date of birth: 1837
Date of death: 1919
Spouse: Mary Jones (née Williams)
Child: John Arthur Jones
Gender: Male
Occupation: Wesleyan minister and historian
Area of activity: History and Culture; Religion
Author: Edward Tegla Davies

Born at Caernarvon, 20 January 1837. After a short time at the local National school he was apprenticed to a weaver. He began to preach in 1855, was accepted for the ministry in 1858, and appointed to his first circuit in 1859. His circuits were as follows: Bangor (1859), Liverpool (1860), Llanfyllin (1861), Llansilin (1863), Tregarth (1866), Liverpool (Chester Street) (1869), Denbigh (1872), Caernarvon (1875), Chester (1878), Rhyl (1880), Liverpool (Shaw Street) (1883), Tregarth (1886), Liverpool (Mount Zion) (1887), Liverpool (Shaw Street) (1890), Tregarth (1893), Liverpool (Mount Zion) (1896), and Bangor (1899). In 1902 he was appointed superintendent of the Bookroom. He retired in 1911 and died 23 May 1919. He married Mary, daughter of the Rev. John Williams (Calvinistic Methodist) of Llansilin. John Arthur Jones, editor of the *Calcutta Statesman*, was his son.

He was elected secretary of the province (1886), chairman of the province (1893), and a member of the Legal Hundred of his connexion (1893). He delivered the Provincial Lecture (1893), and was given a testimonial to celebrate the jubilee of his ministry (1909).

From 1863 on he was a regular contributor to the *Eurgrawn*. He published memoirs of [Samuel Davies II](#) and R.T. Owen, commentaries on Jeremiah and S. John's Epistles, a hand-book on Dissent, *Y Goleuni Cristionogol, Hanes Wesleaeth Gymreig* (4 vols.); he also edited *Y Winllan* (1883-5), and *Yr Eurgrawn* (1902-11). He represented his denomination in every national movement, was one of the most powerful preachers of his generation, possessed outstanding organizing ability in church affairs, and was a national leader in all the campaigns connected with education, temperance, and politics.

Author

Reverend Edward Tegla Davies, (1880 - 1967)

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