

JONES, ROBERT (1810 - 1879), cleric and author

Name: Robert Jones
Date of birth: 1810
Date of death: 1879
Parent: Robert Jones
Gender: Male
Occupation: cleric and author
Area of activity: Literature and Writing; Religion
Author: Thomas Iorwerth Ellis

Born 6 January 1810, eldest son of Robert Jones of Llanfyllin, Montgomeryshire. He was educated at Oswestry Grammar School, matriculated from Jesus College, Oxford, 12 December 1834, and took his B.A. in 1837. He was ordained deacon by bishop Carey of S. Asaph, 1 July 1837, and licensed to the curacy of Northop, Flintshire. He received priest's orders on 5 May 1838, and served as curate of Barmouth from 1840 to 1842. In 1842 he was appointed vicar of All Saints, Rotherhithe, London, where he remained till his death on 28 March 1879. He was buried in All Saints churchyard.

While at Barmouth he published a collection of Welsh psalms and hymns, and in 1864 he produced a reprint of [Dr. John Davies](#), *Flores Poetarum Britannicorum*. In 1876 he published the *Poetical Works of Goronwy Owen: with his Life and Correspondence* (in two volumes), and in 1877 *The Works of Iolo Goch, with a sketch of his life*, but this production was cut short by his death. He was an active member of the Society of Cymmrodorion, and in 1876 he was appointed editor of *Y Cymmrodor*. He gave considerable support to the national eisteddfod, and, in its early years, to the University College of Wales, Aberystwyth, and was a prominent and respected member of the London-Welsh community.

Author

Thomas Iorwerth Ellis, (1899 - 1970)

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