

LEWYS, DAFYDD (died 1727), of Llanllawddog, Carmarthenshire, a cleric

Name: Dafydd Lewys
Date of death: 1727
Gender: Male
Occupation: cleric
Area of activity: Literature and Writing; Printing and Publishing; Religion
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best known today as the publisher of *Flores Poetarum Britannicorum*, 1710, and as the author of *Golwg ar y Byd*, 1725. He became vicar of Cadoxton-juxta-Neath, Glamorganshire, 21 August 1718, and was buried there 21 April 1727. He was at Llanllawddog in 1710; a person of that name was curate of Llanllawddog and Llanpumpsaint in 1715-6 and was ordained priest 1 November 1715. He was also the author of *Bwyd Enaid* [1723], a book of stanzas based on verses from the *Bible*, and was among those responsible for printing *Gemmeu Doethineb* by [Rhys Prydderch](#), 1714, *Llythyr at y Cyfryw o'r Byd ...*, 1716, and probably *Pregeth a Bregethwyd ... Mehefin y 7, 1716 ... Gan ... Gwylim Arglwydd Esgob Ely* 1716. [A hymn by him was included in a booklet printed by [Nicholas Thomas](#), Carmarthen, 1740, and another of his compositions may be found in *Blodeu-gerdd Cymry*, 1759.] N.L.W. MS. 4563 contains the original manuscript of *Golwg ar y Byd*.

Author

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