MORGAN, JOHN (1662 - 1701), cleric and author

Name: John Morgan
Date of birth: 1662
Date of death: 1701
Gender: Male

Occupation: cleric and author

Area of activity: Literature and Writing; Religion

Author: John Thomas Jones

Born 1662; a native of Merioneth. Ordained deacon in 1684, and priest in 1685, he was curate of Llanllechid and Aber, Caernarfonshire, from 1685 till 1693(?). He then studied at Oxford, probably till 1697, when he became vicar of Aberconwy (Conway). He is not to be confused with John Morgan, vicar of Matchin (1688? - 1734?), his contemporary. At Conway he wrote his *Bloeddnad Ofnadwy yr Utcorn Diweddaf* - published (posthumously) in 1704. A copy of this essay and a similar prose work called *Ystyriaethau ar y Chwe peth diwethaf*, together with a number of his poems - all in his own handwriting - are found in a kind of C.P.B. called 'Llyfr John Morgan', now in the library, U.C.N.W. (Bangor MS. 421). His prose is of high quality, but his poetry lacks distinction. He died 14 September 1701.

Author

John Thomas Jones, (1894 - 1975)

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