PRICE, JOHN (1735 - 1813), Bodley's librarian, Oxford

Name: John Price
Date of birth: 1735
Date of death: 1813
Parent: Anne Price
Parent: Robert Price
Gender: Male
Occupation: Bodley's librarian, Oxford
Area of activity: History and Culture; Literature and Writing; Scholarship and Languages
Author: John James Jones

Born on 1 March 1735, son of the Rev. Robert Price vicar of Llandegla from 1731 to 1737, and then of Llangollen until his death in 1771 - he was buried 9 September.

John Price was educated at Jesus College, Oxford, where he matriculated 26 March 1754. He graduated B.A. 1757, M.A. 1760, and B.D. 1768. He was appointed janitor of the Bodleian in 1757; sub-librarian, 1765; acting librarian, 1765; and Bodley's librarian in 1768; and held this post until his death. He was curate of Northleigh, Oxfordshire, from 1766 to 1773, and curate of Wilcote in the same county, 1775. He was presented to the living of Wollaston and Alvington, Gloucestershire, in 1782, and to that of Llangattock, Brecknock, in 1798. He was elected F.S.A. in 1797, about which time he migrated to Trinity College, to which he made many benefactions. He resided at S. Giles; died 12 August 1813, and was buried at Wilcote on 20 August. He wrote *A Short Account of Holyhead in the Isle of Anglesey*, 1783. This was No. 10 of *Bibliotheca Topographica Britannica*. He also contributed an article to *Archaeologia*, vol. 8, entitled ' An Account of a bronze image of Roman workmanship.' Many of his letters were published in Nichols, *Illustrations of Literary History of the 18th Century*, together with the only known portrait of him.

Author

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Sources

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Further Reading

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