

PRYSE, JOHN (1826 - 1883), printer and publisher

Name: John Pryse
Date of birth: 1826
Date of death: 1883
Gender: Male
Occupation: printer and publisher
Area of activity: Printing and Publishing
Author: Idwal Lewis

He was born in 1826 in Radnorshire, but lived nearly all his life at Llanidloes, Montgomeryshire. He was apprenticed a shoemaker, but forsook that trade for that of bookseller, to which he subsequently added that of printer. He was a lover of Welsh literature and lore, and published numerous reprints of books relating to Wales, such as [Evan Evans's](#) *Specimens of ancient Welsh poetry*; [Theophilus Evans](#), *View of the primitive ages*; [A. J. Johnes](#), *Causes of dissent in Wales*; and several original works; [W. Rowlands's](#) *Cambrian Bibliography*, 1869; [J. Jenkins](#), *The poetry of Wales*, 1873; *Breezes from the Welsh mountains*, 1853; *Pryse's Welsh Interpreter*, *Pryse's Handbook to the Radnorshire and Breconshire mineral springs*. In 1859 he started the publication of the *Llanidloes and Newtown Telegraph*, a weekly newspaper, the second to be published in Montgomeryshire. Pryse was twice married, his first wife, being the widow of [Richard Mills](#), the musician. He died 19 October 1883.

Author

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