ROBERTS, WILLIAM RHYS (1858 - 1929), professor of Greek

Name: William Rhys Roberts

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Gender: Male

Occupation: professor of Greek

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Born 11 July 1858 at Wimbledon, son of the Rev. J. Gwilym Roberts. He was educated at the City of London School and King's College, Cambridge, where he won some of the principal university prizes in classics, and where he was a Fellow, 1882-8. He was professor of Greek at University College, Bangor, 1884-1904, and professor of classics in the University of Leeds, 1904-22. He was considered an authority on the history of Greek literary criticism and published annotated editions of some of the works of the critics (Longinos, Dionysios of Halicarnassos, Demetrios). He was a Litt.D. of Cambridge, and also received the degrees of LL.D. (S. Andrews) and D.Litt. (Wales, 1921) honoris causa. He died at Peacehaven, 30 October 1929. He was a prolific author; apart from the works mentioned on the Greek literary critics, he published a translation of Aristotle's *Rhetoric* and a study of the ancient Boeotians; he also published many pamphlets on problems connected with the teaching of classics in the universities and on education in general.

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