

ROSS, JOHN (1729? - 1807), printer and publisher at Carmarthen.

Name: John Ross
Date of birth: 1729?
Date of death: 1807
Child: Ann Scott (née Ross)
Gender: Male
Occupation: printer and publisher
Area of activity: Printing and Publishing
Author: William Llewelyn Davies

Very few biographical details concerning John Ross are available. He had learnt his trade in London, began to print books, etc., in Carmarthen in 1763 (for a year or two with Rhys Thomas), and continued to do so until 1807, the year of his death. A few books printed at the end of the 18th century were produced jointly by Ross and John Daniel. During the half-century of his working life Ross produced more books in Welsh or relating to Wales than were printed by all his contemporaries in Wales and the border put together. Some of the productions involved much time, labour, and considerable expense, e.g. three editions of the Welsh *Bible* known as 'Peter Williams's *Bible*.' Ross was one of the two sheriffs for the town of Carmarthen in 1785. He died in the latter half of October 1807, aged 78. His daughter (or probably his sister), ANN SCOTT, continued the business for a while after her father's death. She died 24 September 1842, aged 107.

Author

Sir William Llewelyn Davies, (1887 - 1952)

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