

## SALESBURY (SALISBURY), HENRY (1561 - 1637?), grammarian

**Name:** Henry Salesbury  
**Date of birth:** 1561  
**Date of death:** 1637?  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** grammarian  
**Area of activity:** Scholarship and Languages  
**Author:** Thomas Herbert Parry-Williams

Born in Henllan parish, Denbighshire, his family being a branch of the old [Lleweni family](#). He graduated in Oxford University (S. Alban Hall), studied medicine, and followed the profession of a physician. [Dr. John Davies](#) of Mallwyd refers to him as ' medicus doctis annumerandus.'

In 1593 he published his Welsh grammar, [Grammatica Britannica](#) (London). It is also recorded that he had begun another work, a Welsh-Latin dictionary called ' Geirva Tavod Cymraec.' There are Welsh and Latin lines written by him in the form of a *cywydd* at the beginning of *Egluryn Phraethineb*, 1595, by [Henry Perri](#) - see the edition of that book published by the University of Wales Press, 1930.

He is believed to have been the Henry Salesbury who died at Chester, 6 October 1637.

### Author

Sir Thomas Herbert Parry-Williams, (1887)

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