THOMAS, SAMPSON (1739 - 1807), one of the early Calvinistic Methodist exhorters in Pembrokeshire.

Name: Sampson Thomas Date of birth: 1739 Date of death: 1807 Spouse: Margaret Thomas Parent: George Thomas

Gender: Male

Occupation: early Calvinistic Methodist exhorters

Area of activity: Religion

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It appears that he was a native of Tre-lech, Carmarthenshire, and that he came to Pembrokeshire on his marriage, in 1773; a person of that name, the son of a George Thomas, was christened in the parish of Tre-lech a'r Betws, 28 August 1739. He was converted in 1760, and in 1773, as already stated, he married and went to live to his wife's home near Caerfarchell, Pembrokeshire, where there was a Methodist cause. He used to go to Fishguard one Sunday a month to preach, and also travelled further afield, e.g. he preached at Llanllyfni, Caernarfonshire, in 1792. He and his wife died the same time; there is a record of the burial of Sampson Thomas and Margaret Thomas at Whitchurch, Pembrokeshire, 18 April 1807.

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