

## THOMAS, THOMAS (1776 - 1847), cleric and historian

**Name:** Thomas Thomas  
**Date of birth:** 1776  
**Date of death:** 1847  
**Child:** David Thomas Thomas  
**Parent:** John Thomas  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** cleric and historian  
**Area of activity:** History and Culture; Literature and Writing; Religion  
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son of John Thomas (1721 - 1795), rector of Aberporth, curate of Llandygwydd, Blaenporth and Llechryd, and schoolmaster at Llechryd. He was born at Tre-wen, Blaenporth, in 1776, but the family moved to Henbant, Llandygwydd, about 1785. Educated by his father and at the Carmarthen grammar school under Barker, he was ordained curate, 21 September 1788, and priest, 10 October 1789. He served a cure at Gloucester for a time and then returned to help his father, upon whose death he was made rector of Aberporth, 18 August, and curate of Llandygwydd, 7 September 1795. He was also curate to [John Williams](#) (1745/6 - 1818) of Ystrad Meurig at Blaen-porth, and in 1816 he received the curacy of Llanddewi Aber-arth at the nomination of [Eliezer Williams](#), a living which he held with Aberporth until his death, 28 February 1847 (buried at Blaenporth 4 March). He was awarded the S. Davids prize for an essay on the study of the Hebrew language in 1810, and in 1822 he published *Memoirs of Owen Glendower ... with a sketch of the History of the Ancient Britons from the Conquest of Wales by Edward the First, to the present time*. He helped Nicholas Carlisle and Samuel Lewis with their topographical dictionaries. His wife was a native of Gloucester, and his son, David Thomas Thomas, was vicar of Tre-lech a'r Betws from 1828 to 1875.

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