

Name: George Gilbert Treherne Treherne
Date of birth: 1837
Date of death: 1923
Parent: Rees Goring Thomas
Gender: Male
Occupation: antiquary
Area of activity: History and Culture; Law
Author: Robert Thomas Jenkins

Youngest son of Rees Goring Thomas (see under [Ebenezer Morris](#), 1790 - 1867) of Llannonn, Carmarthenshire, and Surrey; born 30 December 1837; in January 1857 he went from Eton to Balliol College, Oxford, where he graduated in 1861 (Foster, *Alumni Oxonienses*); he rowed for the University in the 1859 boat race. Shortly after leaving Oxford he changed his name. He was admitted a solicitor in 1865, and in due course became principal of his firm. As most of his work was connected with large estates in south-west Wales he became interested in the history and antiquities of that part of the country; and he became an authority on the town of Laugharne and its neighbourhood. He was particularly interested in Eglwys Gymyn where he discovered the famous Latin/Ogam inscription ' Avitoria ' (*An Inventory of the Ancient Monuments in Wales and Monmouthshire. Vol. V - County of Carmarthen*, 40), and published two books about it: *Eglwys Cymmin, The Story of an Old Welsh Church*, 1918, and *Eglwys Cymmin Epitaphs*, 1920. He joined the Cambrian Archaeological Association in 1904 and contributed a number of papers to *Arch. Camb.* He was also one of the founders of the Carmarthenshire Antiquarian Society (1905), became its first president, and contributed twenty-five articles to its transactions. He died 26 February 1923, in his home at Ringmer, Sussex. He must not be confused with another antiquary, [J. M. Traherne](#).

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Emeritus Professor Robert Thomas Jenkins, (1881 - 1969)

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