

WILLIAMS, EVAN (1816? - 1878), Calvinistic Methodist minister, and artist

Name: Evan Williams Date of birth: 1816? Date of death: 1878 Spouse: Frances Williams

Gender: Male
Occupation: Calvinistic Methodist minister, and artist Area of activity: Art and Architecture; Religion Author: Edward Morgan Humphreys

Born in Lledrod, Cardiganshire, c.1816. For four years he was a missioner amongst Welsh people in London. He began to preach at Mold in 1848; he went to live to Caernarvon in 1851, and was ordained in 1859. He had no pastoral charge.

He was best known as a portrait and landscape painter, and was usually called Evan Williams the limner'. He painted the portraits of several contemporaries, including Eben Fardd, David Jones, (Treborth), and Edward Morgan (Dyffryn), but his best work was done in landscape, especially in his pictures of mountain and lake scenery. Between October 1848 and October 1849 he wrote articles on painters and painting to the Traethodydd.

He died 2 October 1878, aged 62, and was buried at Caeathro, near Caernarvon. [See article on Prichard, John William.]

Author

Edward Morgan Humphreys, (1882 - 1955)

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