

WYNN, EDWARD (1618 - 1669), chancellor of Bangor cathedral

Name: Edward Wynn
Date of birth: 1618
Date of death: 1669
Spouse: Sian Davies (née Prys)
Parent: Margaret Wynn (née Puleston)
Parent: Edward Wynn
Gender: Male
Occupation: chancellor of Bangor cathedral
Area of activity: Religion
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Second son of **Edward Wynn**, Bodewryd, and his wife Margaret, daughter of Edward Puleston, rector of Llanynys; born 1 October 1618. His name occurs in the books of Jesus College, Cambridge, 7 March 1636/7; he graduated B.A. 1640/1, M.A. 1647, and D.D. 1662. He was curate to **Dr. John Davies**, Mallwyd, secured the rectory of Llan-ym-Mawddwy (5 June 1644) upon the latter's death, and married his widow, Jane, daughter of John ap Rhys Wyn. According to **Moses Williams**, F.R.S., **Dr. John Davies** left his lady in very good circumstances, but her second husband squandered her riches and abused her sufficiently besides. He was confirmed in the rectory of Llan-ym-Mawddwy by the Committee for the Propagation of the Gospel in Wales, 27 November 1649, but in 1650 he was ejected for some irregularity. He seems to have been re-instated before 1654, and by July 1658 he was in Anglesey as rector of Llan-geinwen and Llangaffo. He also secured the rectory of Llanybi and Llanarmon, Caernarfonshire, 29 May 1662, and held it until 1666, having added the rectory of Llanllechid to his preferments, 18 April 1665. He was a member of convocation, 1661-2, and in 1663 he became a canon of St Asaph and chancellor of the cathedral of Bangor. He died 17 December 1669, and was buried 23 December at Llangaffo. He left fifty pounds in his will for adorning the cathedral of Bangor, and £100 to create an exhibition in his old college at Cambridge. His second wife, Sydney, daughter of Rowland White, of the Friars, Llanfaes (whom he had married 7 April 1657), died in 1670. He published, at his own expense, a collection of Welsh prayers, the catechism, and a selection of metrical psalms (*Trefn Ymarweddiad y gwir Gristion, neu lwybr hyffordd i'r Cymro i rodio arno beunydd gyd a'i Dduw*, London, 1662), dedicated to his flock at Llangeinwen and Llangaffo. A second edition appeared in 1723-4.

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