

HUGHES, GRIFFITH WILLIAM (1861 - 1941), accountant and musician

Name: Griffith William Hughes
Date of birth: 1861
Date of death: 1941
Parent: Ann Hughes
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Gender: Male
Occupation: accountant and musician
Area of activity: Economics and Money; Music; Performing Arts
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Born 22 February 1861 at Cefn-mawr, Denbighshire, the son of Griffith and Ann Hughes. After attending the local elementary school and Ruabon grammar school he became a clerk in the office of the Wynnstay Colliery Company. In his youth he attended music classes conducted by J.O. Jones, Pen-y-cae, and Edward Hughes. In 1889 the Cefn-mawr choral society and a male-voice choir were formed and G. W. Hughes became conductor of both, conducting a variety of works; for a time he was also precentor at Capel Mawr (C.M.), Rhosllannerchrugog. He made a special study of the Tonic Sol-fa system, became a licentiate of the Tonic Sol-fa College, and in 1900, was elected to the Council of the College. In 1911 he was appointed stipendiary precentor at Princes Road Welsh C.M. chapel, Liverpool, where he laboured until his retirement in 1926 when he moved to Prestatyn. He composed several anthems and hymn-tunes, served as adjudicator, and conducted Cymanfaoedd Canu. He was one of the music editors of *Llyfr Emytau a Thonau y Methodistiaid Calfinaidd a Wesleiaidd*, 1929. He died 27 September 1941 and was buried at Prestatyn public cemetery.

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