

HUGHES, WILLIAM ROBERT (1798? - 1879), healer of cancer and cancerous warts

Name: William Robert Hughes
Date of birth: 1798?
Date of death: 1879
Gender: Male
Occupation: healer of cancer and cancerous warts
Area of activity: Medicine
Author: Robert (Bob) Owen

Born at Tanyrallt, in the parish of Abererch, Caernarfonshire, of a family reputed to have an exceptional ability to cure cancerous warts, etc. After marriage he moved to live at Mur Crysto, Llangybi, in 1821. He was a friend of [David Owen](#) ('Dewi Wyn o Eifion'), [Ebenezer Thomas](#) ('Eben Fardd'), and [Robert Williams](#) ('Robert ap Gwilym Ddu'). So great was his power that he became known as 'Dewin y Cennin' (The leek magician). He emigrated to U.S.A. in 1845, settling in Columbus, Wisconsin. It was claimed that the first Welsh sermon in the state of Wisconsin was preached in his house. In America he continued to treat cancer and cancerous warts. He died 15 March 1879.

Author

Robert (Bob) Owen, (1885 - 1962)

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