

JONES, DANIEL ANGELL (1861 - 1936), botanist and authority on ferns and mosses

Name: Daniel Angell Jones
Date of birth: 1861
Date of death: 1936
Gender: Male
Occupation: botanist and authority on ferns and mosses
Area of activity: Nature and Agriculture; Science and Mathematics
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Born 14 July 1861, in Liverpool. He was a schoolmaster at Machynlleth and Harlech. He acquired specialist knowledge of plants in Merionethshire and Caernarfonshire, and he was an acknowledged expert on British mosses. He won a prize at Blaenau Ffestiniog national eisteddfod, 1898, for an essay on the plants of Merionethshire. He rediscovered, on Cader Idris, in 1901, the plant known as hairy greenweed, which was presumed at the time to be extinct. He was one of the early members of the Moss Exchange Club, and when the British Bryological Society was formed he was appointed secretary of that society. Later he became president.

In 1918 he gained a M.Sc. degree of the University of Wales. After retiring in 1924 he lived in Cheltenham and Bristol. In 1925 he was elected a member of the Linnaean Society. He wrote 'The Flora of Dolgelley and the Neighbourhood' as an appendix to [T.P. Ellis](#), *The Story of two Parishes, Dolgelley and Llanelltyd* (1928). He died at Bristol, 6 October 1936, and his collections of plants was distributed between the British Museum and the National Museum of Wales.

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