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BAXTER, GEORGE ROBERT WYTHEN (1815 - 1854), author

Name: George Robert Wythen Baxter Date of birth: 1815 Date of death: 1854 Spouse: Martha Maria Baxter (née Caulfield) Parent: George Trotham Baxter Gender: Male Occupation: author Area of activity: Literature and Writing Author: Elwyn Evans

Of Upper Bryn, Llanllwchaiarn, Montgomeryshire. He was born at Monmouth and christened on 14 June 1814, the only son of George Trotham Baxter (1762-1841) of Hereford, and was a member of an old family long settled in the neighbourhood of Newtown. Among his ancestors was Richard Baxter, the famous Presbyterian divine.

He entered an Oxford college but did not graduate there. Four of his works are listed in the B.M. General Catalogue of Printed Books. These include The Book of the Bastiles, or the History of the working of the Poor Law, 1841, and Don Juan Junior: a poem by Byron's Ghost, 1839.

He married at Tenby, 5 June 1833, Martha Maria Caulfield (died 1 April 1875). He died 17 January 1854, and a memorial tablet was set up by his mother in Llanllwchaiarn church.

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