

DAVIES, ROBERT (1790-1841), Calvinistic Methodist elder, etc.

Name: Robert Davies
Date of birth: 1790
Date of death: 1841
Spouse: Eliza Davies (née Charles)
Child: David Charles Davies
Child: Robert Joseph Davies
Parent: Jonett Davies (née Jones)
Parent: David Davies
Gender: Male
Occupation: Calvinistic Methodist elder
Area of activity: Religion
Author: Thomas Iorwerth Ellis

The youngest son of David Davies, skinner, and Jonett, daughter of Robert Jones, Aberllefenni, Meirionnydd, Robert Davies was born at Machynlleth and migrated to Aberystwyth. With his cousin, **Owen Jones** (1787 - 1828), he was one of the founders of the Sunday school at Trefechan, Aberystwyth, in connection with Tabernacle chapel, and its permanent superintendent. It was at his house in Great Darkgate Street, Aberystwyth, that the '*Confession of Faith of the Calvinistic Methodist Connexion*' was drawn up in March 1823. He married 8 June 1825 at S. Peter's church, Carmarthen, Eliza, daughter of **David Charles I.** He died 17 May 1841, and was buried at Aberystwyth.

Of his sons, the youngest, **ROBERT JOSEPH DAVIES** (1839 - 1892), freeholder, born 2 August 1839 at Llanbadarn Fawr, was educated at University College, London, and the Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester. He married (1863), Frances, daughter of David Humphreys, Llanyfaelog, Carmarthenshire, and great-grand-daughter of **Peter Williams**, and spent the rest of his life at Cwrt Mawr, Llangeitho, Cardiganshire. He was appointed a J.P. (Cardiganshire) in 1870, and treasurer of the General Assembly of the Calvinistic Methodists in 1873; he devoted much of his time to the voluntary service of his connexion. He died 6 May 1892, and was buried at Llangeitho.

Of his children, the eldest, **SARA MARIA** (1864 - 1939), married J. M. Saunders, and published a number of short sketches depicting Welsh religious and social life; **DAVID CHARLES** (1866 - 1928) became director of the Field Natural History Museum, Chicago; **John Humphreys** is separately noticed; **ANNIE JANE** (1873 - 1942) married (1) **Thomas Edward Ellis** and (2) the **Rev. Peter Hughes Griffiths**; **WALTER ERNEST LLEWELLYN** (1874 - 1941) was a physician; and **ELIZA** (Lily) (1876 - 1939) married **J. E. Hughes** (1865 - 1932).

Author

Thomas Iorwerth Ellis, (1899 - 1970)

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