

EVANS, EVAN WILLIAM (1860 - 1925), editor and publisher

Name: Evan William Evans

Date of birth: 1860

Date of death: 1925

Spouse: Annie Evans (née Roberts)

Spouse: Ellen Evans (née Rees)

Parent: Jane Evans (née Roberts)

Parent: David Evans

Gender: Male

Occupation: editor and publisher

Area of activity: Literature and Writing; Printing and Publishing

Author: William Llewelyn Davies

Born 7 October 1860 at Cae Einion, Dolgelley, son of David Evans and Jane (Roberts). He was educated at Dolgelley grammar school and then went to serve in the *Herald* office at Caernarvon. He returned a little later to Dolgelley, and having acquired the printing office where *Y Goleuad* was printed (the place of printing having been changed from Caernarvon to Dolgelley), he arranged with the *Goleuad* company to edit and publish that journal, this arrangement continuing from the issue for 5 July 1884 until that for 26 June 1914. On 1 July 1914 he started his own weekly newspaper, *Y Cymro*, of which he was editor, publisher, and printer, and which continued to be published at Dolgelley until 1931.

Other newspapers and journals were issued throughout the years from the Dolgelley offices, among them being *The Merionethshire News*, 1888 - name changed after a short time to *The Merioneth News and Herald*; *Y Lladmerydd*, 1885?; *Cymru Fydd*, 1888; *Y Gymraes*, 1896; *Y Llan, Yr Haul*, and *Y Ddolen*. Many books were published also by E. W. Evans, among them being *Cantref Meirionydd*, 1890, by **R. Prys Morris**.

E. W. Evans married, 20 December 1888, Annie, only daughter of Joseph Roberts, Dolgelley. He was keenly interested in local history, including the history of Calvinistic Methodism in North Wales, and amassed considerable manuscripts and printed material; for an account of the Fronidirion MSS., as the manuscript portion is called, see *N.L.W. Handlist of MSS.*, ii, 154-7. He died 28 October 1925.

Author

Sir William Llewelyn Davies, (1887 - 1952)

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