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GWYNNE-VAUGHAN, DAVID THOMAS (1871 - 1915), botanist

Name: David Thomas Gwynne-vaughan Date of birth: 1871 Date of death: 1915 Parent: H.T. Gwynne-Vaughan Gender: Male Occupation: botanist Area of activity: Medicine; Nature and Agriculture; Science and Mathematics Author: Robert Thomas Jenkins

Born 12 March 1871 at Erwood House, Brecknock, eldest son of H. T. Gwynne-Vaughan of Erwood, formerly of Cynghordy, near Llandovery, a member of the Gwynne of Glanbrân clan - some give Llandovery as the botanist's place of birth, and 3 March as the date. From Monmouth school, he went up in 1890 to Christ's College, Cambridge, and graduated (class I in the natural sciences tripos) in 1893. After carrying out research work at Kew gardens, he went in 1895 to the Amazon rubber-plantations, and afterwards (1896) was appointed lecturer in botany in Glasgow university. In 1897 he undertook a botanical exploration in the borderlands of Siam and Malaya, but resumed his academic work at Glasgow (he specialized on ferns) in 1899, remaining at Glasgow till 1907, when he became head of the botany department in Birkbeck College, London. In 1911 he became professor of botany at Belfast. He was appointed professor at Reading in 1915, but died there, 4 September, in the same year. He published a long series of papers dealing with ferns.

Author

Emeritus Professor Robert Thomas Jenkins, (1881 - 1969)

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