

HOWELLS, HOWELL (1750 - 1842), Methodist cleric

Name: Howell Howells
Date of birth: 1750
Date of death: 1842
Spouse: Howells (née Samuel)
Spouse: Howells (née Thomas)
Gender: Male
Occupation: Methodist cleric
Area of activity: Religion
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Born 12 May 1750 at Ystrad-gynlais, Brecknock. As a young man he joined the Methodist society and began to preach when he was travelling in North Wales with **John Evans** (died 1784) of Cil-y-cwm. He was educated at Llandowror school c. 1778 and was ordained deacon in 1781; when he was ordained priest in 1782 he was referred to as 'curate of Ystradgynlais.' After that, he is said to have served at Glyncoerwg but later went to S. Nicholas, Glamorganshire, where he associated with **David Jones**, Llangan and came into collision with his parish priest because of his Methodism. He obtained an appointment as curate of Llanddiddan Fach, near Tre-hyl, and the local Methodists flocked there to receive communion. In 1818 he was forced to relinquish this appointment, and from that time until his death, 19 January 1842, remained a staunch Methodist, frequently taking part in the ordaining of Methodist ministers. He was twice married (1) to Miss Thomas, daughter of the parish priest of Bonvilston and (2) to Miss Samuel of Cowbridge.

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