

JOHNS, WILLIAM NICHOLAS (1834 - 1898), printer, antiquarian, newspaper proprietor, and editor

Name: William Nicholas Johns

Date of birth: 1834

Date of death: 1898

Gender: Male

Occupation: printer, antiquarian, newspaper proprietor, and editor

Area of activity: Business and Industry; History and Culture; Literature and Writing; Printing and Publishing; Scholarship and Languages

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Born 20 April 1834 at Poole, Dorset. He settled at Newport, Monmouthshire, 1835, and founded *The Newport Gazette*, 1857; he started the first Monmouthshire evening paper, *The Evening Telegram* (the first halfpenny evening paper in South Wales), 1870; he published and edited also *The Star of Gwent and South Wales Times* and *Evening Star of Gwent*. To his papers he contributed articles of antiquarian and historical interest, many of which were republished in book form - *Chartist Riots at Newport*, 1839 (1884, 2nd ed. 1889), *Historical Facts and Traditions relating to Newport and Caerleon* (six parts, 1880-5); *History of the Church of S. Gwynllyw* (S. Woolos, Newport), 1891; *John's Household Almanack and Guide to Local Information*, 1857, 1858, 1860-70, 1896, 1898; and *Newport Directory and Year Book*, 1885. He died at Newport 11 March 1898.

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