

JONES, THOMAS (1860 - 1932), farmer and poet

Name: Thomas Jones
Date of birth: 1860
Date of death: 1932
Spouse: Mary Jones (née Jones)
Parent: Margaret Jones
Parent: Thomas Jones
Gender: Male
Occupation: farmer and poet
Area of activity: Eisteddfod; Literature and Writing; Music; Nature and Agriculture; Poetry
Author: Evan Roberts

Born at Tyn-y-gors, Nantglyn, Denbighshire, 10 June 1860, son of Thomas and Margaret Jones - the mother belonging to the Tyn-y-gors family and the father to that of Lliidiard-ygwartheg, Cerrig-y-drudion. He was brought up by his grandparents, moving to Tai-isaf in 1872. He had six months schooling at Pentrefoelas and two periods of six months each at Cerrig-y-drudion. He married Mary, daughter of Abel and Elin Jones, in December 1882, and lived at Tai-isaf until 1897, Bryn-du until 1912, and Cerrigellgwm until he died, 31 October 1932, in Denbigh Infirmary; he was buried at Cerrig-y-drudion, 2 November. He was a tuneful poet, a writer chiefly of ballads; he had on several occasions won chairs and acted as adjudicator. He also won the principal essay prize at the Corwen eisteddfod (1929). He published *Caneuon*, 1902; *Beirdd Uwchaled* [an anthology of the poets of that region], 1930; and *Pitar Paw*, 1932. He wrote the life of **John Jones** of Glan-y-gors for the 2nd imp. of *Seren Tan Gwmwl*, 1923, and some of his writings are to be found in *Cymru (O.M.E.)*, *Gen.*, *Yr Haul*, etc. He was an authority on setting penillion to the accompaniment of the harp.

Author

Evan Roberts, (1877 - 1958)

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