

JONES, THOMAS TUDNO (Tudno; 1844 - 1895), cleric and poet

Name: Thomas Tudno Jones
Pseudonym: Tudno
Date of birth: 1844
Date of death: 1895
Spouse: Mary Jones (née Rowlands)
Parent: Mary Jones (née Griffiths)
Parent: Thomas Jones
Gender: Male
Occupation: cleric and poet
Area of activity: Eisteddfod; Poetry; Religion
Author: Thomas Parry

Born at Llandudno 28 April 1844, the son of Thomas Jones and Mary, daughter of Griffith Griffiths of Bryncelyn Fawr, Llanengan, Llŷn. Having attended local schools till the age of 13, he went to work in a shop kept by his brother. In 1867 he was appointed editor of the *Llandudno Directory*, and was for a time on the staff of the *Caernarvon and Denbigh Herald* at Caernarvon. From 1874 till 1880 he edited the Conservative newspaper, *Llais y Wlad*. He married in 1879 Mary Rowlands, Tŷ Cristion, Bodedern, Anglesey, and had two children, a son and daughter, both of whom died young. After a course at S. Bees College, which he entered in 1881, he was ordained in 1883. He served as curate of the Welsh church in Liverpool, at Llanyblodwel, and at Llanrwst, where he died, 18 May 1895. His contributions to the press dealt with topics of the day, especially the disestablishment of the Church of England in Wales, which he opposed. He is best known as a poet, having won the chief prize for an *awdl* at the national eisteddfod at Pwllheli in 1875, Caernarvon in 1877, Wrexham in 1888, and Bangor in 1890. The sum of his published verse, which is mainly in the strict metres, is considerable, but it is not very highly regarded today.

Author

Sir Thomas Parry, (1904 - 1985)

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