

KINSEY, WILLIAM MORGAN (1788 - 1851), cleric and traveller

Name: William Morgan Kinsey
Date of birth: 1788
Date of death: 1851
Parent: Caroline Hannah Kinsey (née Harington)
Parent: Robert Morgan Kinsey
Gender: Male
Occupation: cleric and traveller
Area of activity: Literature and Writing; Religion; Travel and Exploration
Author: William Llewelyn Davies

Born at Abergavenny, son of Robert Morgan Kinsey, solicitor and banker at that town, and his wife Caroline Hannah, daughter of Sir James Harington, Bt. He was educated at Oxford (matriculated 28 November 1805, scholar of Trinity College, B.A. 1809, M.A. 1813, B.D. 1822, Fellow of his college 1815, dean 1822, vice-president 1823, bursar 1824). In 1827 he made a tour in Portugal, publishing next year (second edition, 1829) an interesting work entitled *Portugal Illustrated: in a series of letters, embellished with a map, plates of coins, etc.* (London, 1828). The illustrations were mainly after drawings made by a companion on the tour. In 1830 Kinsey was travelling in Belgium with viscount Alford, and was an eye-witness in Brussels of events connected with the revolution in August of that year. About 1832 (1831?) he was appointed minister of S. John's church, Cheltenham. He gained some repute as a preacher and published some sermons, e.g. *A sermon on the public advantages of social combinations founded on Christian principles* (Cheltenham, 1831) and *The Jubilee of the Bible; or, three hundredth anniversary of Coverdale's translation of the whole Bible ... A sermon preached at ... Cheltenham* (London, 1835). See also *Gentleman's Magazine*, January 1848. In 1843 he was appointed rector of Rotherfield Greys, Oxfordshire, where he died, 6 April 1851.

Author

Sir William Llewelyn Davies, (1887 - 1952)

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