

LLYWELYN FAWR and LLYWELYN FYCHAN (fl. early 13th century). lords of Merioneth

Name: Llywelyn Fawr
Child: Maredudd ap Llywelyn
Parent: Maredudd ap Cynan ab Owain Gwynedd
Gender: Male
Occupation: lords of Merioneth
Area of activity: Military; Politics, Government and Political Movements; Royalty and Society
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The sons of **Maredudd ap Cynan**. In spite of the breach between their father and **Llywelyn I**, they were friendly towards **Llywelyn** from 1215 onwards. The lordship of Merioneth, lost to the family in 1202, may indeed have been restored to them as early as 1221. Though they were confirmed in possession of the 'cantref' by Henry III in 1241, both fought on the side of **Dafydd II** in 1245. After that date there is no further mention of either of them.

In 1255 the death is recorded of Maredudd, lord of Merioneth, almost certainly the son of the elder Llywelyn. With the expulsion in 1256 of the latter's son, also Llywelyn, for treachery against **Llywelyn II**, Merioneth passed finally out of the possession of the descendants of **Cynan ab Owain Gwynedd**. **Madog**, the son of this last Llywelyn, was the rebel leader of 1294.

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