

OWAIN, ' Syr ' DAFYDD (DAVID), otherwise Dafydd ap Owain, cleric and poet

Name: Dafydd Owain
Gender: Male
Occupation: cleric and poet
Area of activity: Poetry; Religion
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According to *Camb. Biog.*, and *Enwogion Cymru: a Biographical Dictionary of Eminent Welshmen*, he flourished 1540-70. The statement in *Enwogion Cymru: a Biographical Dictionary of Eminent Welshmen* that he hailed from Maenan, Caernarfonshire, suggests that he may be identified with Dafydd ab Owen, rector of Nannerch and Llanddoged, and vicar of Eglwysfach, 1537 (J. E. Griffith, *Pedigrees*, 196). A few *cywyddau* by him are preserved in Peniarth MS 86, Peniarth MS 112; Jesus College MSS. 137-8; Cardiff MSS. 12, 64, 84; Llanstephan MS 156; Cwrtmawr MS 5B (i-ii); B.M. Add. MSS. 14873-4, 14966, 14969, 15000, and NLW MS 670D, NLW MS 834B, NLW MS 1560C, NLW MS 2602B, NLW MS 2603B, NLW MS 2692B, NLW MS 5269B, NLW MS 5283B, NLW MS 5474A (Aberdare 1), NLW MS 6434D, NLW MS 6471B, NLW MS 6681B, NLW MS 8330B. Some of his *cywyddau* have been attributed to Gruffudd ap Ieuan ap Llywelyn Fychan and Siôn Tudur.

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