

OWEN, FOULKE (fl. 1686), poet

Name: Foulke Owen Gender: Male Occupation: poet Area of activity: Poetry Author: David Jenkins

a native of Nantglyn, Denbighshire. There appears to be no evidence as to where he was educated, although it is possible that he went up to Oxford, particularly if he was related (he may have been a grandson) to the Foulk Owen of Denbighshire who graduated there in 1584. He owned 'The Black Book of Basingwerk,' an important manuscript of the 14th and 15th cents., now kept at the N.L.W. (NLW MS 7006D), as he himself testified by inscribing the first leaves thrice with his name and the date '1686.' Very little of his poetry has survived, unless he was responsible for the anonymous poems which appear in *Cerddlyfr yr hwn sydd yn cynnwys amryw garolau a dyrifiau o waith amryw awdwyr*, which was printed at the Theatre, Oxford, and published by him in 1686. Only one (imperfect) copy of this work is known today, and that is now housed in the N.L.W.

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