

## OWEN, WILLIAM (Philotheoros; 1789 - 1841); Baptist preacher, schoolmaster, and almanacmaker

**Name:** William Owen

**Pseudonym:** Philotheoros

**Date of birth:** 1789

**Date of death:** 1841

**Gender:** Male

**Occupation:** Baptist preacher, schoolmaster, and almanacmaker

**Area of activity:** Education; History and Culture; Literature and Writing; Poetry; Religion; Scholarship and Languages; Science and Mathematics

**Author:** Benjamin George Owens

Born 1789, a native of the Fishguard district, he is also associated with Letterston, and is said to have started to preach at Llangloffan, but it was as a schoolmaster at Cardigan that he spent the greater part of his life. He was a man of many parts - linguist, littérateur, astronomer, a poet in the free metres, and editor of a Welsh almanac founded by him, at Cardigan in the 1830's; but he is best known, as his pseudonym implies, for his interest in mathematical problems. He died 15 October 1841, aged 52, and was buried at Siloam, y Ferwig.

### Author

Benjamin George Owens

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