

## PIERCE, WILLIAM (1853 - 1928), Congregational minister and historian

**Name:** William Pierce  
**Date of birth:** 1853  
**Date of death:** 1928  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** Congregational minister and historian  
**Area of activity:** History and Culture; Religion  
**Author:** Robert Tudur Jones

Born of Welsh parents at Liverpool, 21 April 1853. He was called to the Congregational ministry under the influence of E. Herber Evans, Caernarvon. From 1875-9 he was student at Brecon College. He ministered at Bideford, Devon (1879-82); Leytonstone (1882-7); Soho Hill, Birmingham (1887-9); New Court, Tollington Park (1889-96); West Hampstead (1896-1904); Doddridge, Northampton (1905-10); Higham's Park (1910-26). He then became librarian at the Congregational Library.

He published standard works on Elizabethan Separatism, and was honoured (1924) by the University of Wales with the degree of M.A. He died 11 December 1928, and was buried in New Southgate cemetery. Apart from minor works his published works were: *An Historical Introduction to the Marprelate Tracts* (London, 1908); *The Marprelate Tracts* (London, 1911); *John Penry: his life, times and writings* (London, 1923).

### Author

Reverend Principal Robert Tudur Jones, (1921 - 1998)

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