

PRICHARD, ROWLAND HUW (1812 - 1887), musician

Name: Rowland Huw Prichard
Date of birth: 1812
Date of death: 1887
Gender: Male
Occupation: musician
Area of activity: Music
Author: Robert David Griffith

Born 14 January 1812 at Y Graienyn, near Bala, a member of the family of [Rolant Huw](#), poet.

He laboured throughout his life in the cause of music and congregational singing. In 1844 he published *Cyfaill y Cantorion*, which contained about forty hymn-tunes, most of them composed by himself, and including the well-known 'Hyfrydol,' which he wrote when he was 20. He also published *Y Fasged Gerddorol, sef crynodeb o egwyddorion Cerddoriaeth*. Hymn-tunes and anthems by him appeared in *Haleliwia*, 1849; *Haleliwia Drachefn*, 1855; *Llyfr Emynau a Thonau* ([Stephen and Jones](#)); and other collections. He moved to Holywell in 1880 to serve as an official under the Welsh Flannel Manufacturing Company.

He died 25 January 1887, and was buried in St. Peter's church, Holywell.

Author

Robert David Griffith, (1877 - 1958)

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Wikipedia Article: [Rowland Prichard](#)

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