

PRITCHARD, JOHN THOMAS (1859 - 1890), musician

Name: John Thomas Pritchard
Date of birth: 1859
Date of death: 1890
Parent: Jane Pritchard
Parent: Thomas Pritchard
Gender: Male
Occupation: musician
Area of activity: Eisteddfod; Music; Performing Arts; Religion
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Born 10 July 1859 at Cefn Capel Cwta, Bethesda, Caernarfonshire, the son of Thomas and Jane Pritchard. A pupil-teacher at the local day school, he also received instruction in organ playing from [Dr. Roland Rogers](#), Bangor. In 1878 he was appointed organist of S. Mark's church, Wrexham. He was a talented piano accompanist and officiated as such in national eisteddfodau held at Liverpool and Wrexham. For six years he conducted the Wrexham choral society which performed several works by the great composers. His part-song, 'Y Gwynt,' was a test piece for male voice choirs at the Bangor national eisteddfod, 1891; solos by him which gained popularity were 'Y Marchog' and 'Iesu, cyfaill f'enaid cu.' He died 21 August 1890, and was buried at Glanogwen burial ground, Bethesda.

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