

## ROBERTS, WILLIAM (1828 - 1872), Congregational college tutor

**Name:** William Roberts  
**Date of birth:** 1828  
**Date of death:** 1872  
**Parent:** Daniel Roberts  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** Congregational college tutor  
**Area of activity:** Education; Religion  
**Author:** Robert Thomas Jenkins

Born 1 July 1828 at Dowlais, son of Daniel Roberts, minister of Bryn Seion Congregational church (*Hanes Eglwysi Annibynnol Cymru*, ii, 280-1). From Ffrŵd-y-fâl Academy he went in 1845 to Coward College in London, but almost immediately removed to Carmarthen Presbyterian College. With a Dr. Williams scholarship (1850) he went up to Glasgow University, where he remained for three years; but though he won a Latin medal, ill health forced him to leave without a degree. He was prone to melancholy, and an unwilling (and indifferent) preacher; so, after teaching in various schools in England, he opened a grammar school at Cardiff. In 1856 he was appointed to succeed Edward Davies (1796 - 1857) as classical tutor at Brecon Congregational College. He was joint-editor of *Y Beirniad* from 1859 till 1872. In 1872 his mind became deranged, and he died at Malvern on 9 March.

### Author

**Emeritus Professor Robert Thomas Jenkins**, (1881 - 1969)

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