

ROWLAND (or ROULAND), DAVID, 'of Anglesey ' (fl. 16th century), translator, etc.

Name: David Rowland (Or Rouland)
Gender: Male
Occupation: translator
Area of activity: Scholarship and Languages
Author: William Llewelyn Davies

Anthony Wood (*Athenae Oxonienses*) says that he was a native of Anglesey, who, after reading for some time at S. Mary's Hall, Oxford, and leaving without a degree, became tutor to the son of the earl of Lennox, travelled, and obtained some knowledge of modern languages. After his return he became a tutor of Greek and Latin and wrote for the use of his pupils *A Comfortable Aid for Scholars, full of variety of Sentences, gathered out of an Italian author* (London, 1578). He is better known to posterity as the person who 'drew out of Spanish ' *The Pleasaunt Historie of Lazarillo de Tormes, a Spaniarde, wherein is contained his maruelous deedes and life. With the straunge adventures happened to him in the seruice of sundrie Masters* (London, 1586; and subsequent editions). The 1586 edition is dedicated ' To the right Worshipful Sir Thomas Gressam - Knight.' Rowland wrote ' an epytaphe of my Lorde of Pembroke '; he was also acquainted with the poet George Turbervile, author of *The Noble Arte of Venerie or Hunting*.

Author

Sir William Llewelyn Davies, (1887 - 1952)

Sources

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