

ROWLANDS, HENRY (Harri Myllin; 1832 - 1903), writer and antiquary

Name: Henry Rowlands Pseudonym: Harri Myllin Date of birth: 1832 Date of death: 1903 Gender: Male

Occupation: writer and antiquary

Area of activity: History and Culture; Literature and Writing; Scholarship and Languages

Born in the Llanfyllin, Montgomeryshire, district in 1832. The Rev. Richard Richards had intended making a clergyman of him but died before taking any action. In 1859 Henry Rowlands joined the Denbighshire constabulary. He was a policeman at Cefnmawr, Llanrhaedr-ym-Mochnant, Llansilin, and Llandegla. He retired in 1891 and went to live at Llangollen. In 1893 he was appointed official interpreter to the courts at Wrexham, an appointment which he held until May 1902. He died 28 January 1903, at the age of 70, at his home in Abbey Road, Llangollen. He was a frequent contributor to various periodicals, e.g. Yr Haul, Y Cyfaill Eglwysig, Y Cronicl, Yr Eurgrawn, and Y Winllan, and wrote regularly to Bye-Gones from its inception to 1901. It was through his endeavours in the press that a memorial stone was raised to Huw Morys at Llansilin. Several of his hymns are to be found in Emyniadur yr Eglwys. His poems are, in many cases, imitations of English poetry.

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