

SALESBURY (SALISBURY), HENRY (1561 - 1637?), grammarian

Name: Henry Salesbury
Date of birth: 1561
Date of death: 1637?
Gender: Male
Occupation: grammarian
Area of activity: Scholarship and Languages
Author: Thomas Herbert Parry-Williams

Born in Henllan parish, Denbighshire, his family being a branch of the old **Lleweni family**. He graduated in Oxford University (S. Alban Hall), studied medicine, and followed the profession of a physician. **Dr. John Davies** of Mallwyd refers to him as 'medicus doctis annumerandus.'

In 1593 he published his Welsh grammar, *Grammatica Britannica* (London). It is also recorded that he had begun another work, a Welsh-Latin dictionary called 'Geirva Tavod Cymraec.' There are Welsh and Latin lines written by him in the form of a *cywydd* at the beginning of *Egluryn Phraethineb*, 1595, by **Henry Perri** - see the edition of that book published by the University of Wales Press, 1930.

He is believed to have been the Henry Salesbury who died at Chester, 6 October 1637.

Author

Sir **Thomas Herbert Parry-Williams**, (1887)

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