

WILLIAMS, JOHN (1762 - 1823), Methodist preacher and hymn-writer

Name: John Williams
Date of birth: 1762
Date of death: 1823
Gender: Male
Occupation: Methodist preacher and hymn-writer
Area of activity: Poetry; Religion
Author: Gomer Morgan Roberts

Born at Meidrym, Carmarthenshire. After living at Llanedi for some time he went to Swansea as a milk-seller. He died 28 December 1823. He was a powerful preacher but was somewhat heedless of the rules of the Methodist connexion. Seven of his hymns are to be found in *Swp o Ffigys*, etc., the hymn-book published by his neighbour, Daniel Evans of Mynydd-bach (1774 - 1835), in 1824. They were once popular but are no longer sung.

Author

Reverend Gomer Morgan Roberts, (1904 - 1993)

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