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### WILLIAMS, WILLIAM (1832-1900), veterinary surgeon

Name: William Williams Date of birth: 1832 Date of death: 1900 Child: William Owen Williams Parent: William Williams Gender: Male Occupation: veterinary surgeon Area of activity: Education; Nature and Agriculture Author: Robert Thomas Jenkins

Born in the parish of Cefn Meiriadog near S. Asaph, the son of William Williams, and grandson of Thomas Williams, a well-known farrier in his day. At the age of 17, he took up his grandfather's profession, but his health broke down when he was 20, and he went to Australia for three years. On his return, he entered Dick's Veterinary College, Edinburgh. In 1857 he embarked on a very successful career at Bradford, and in 1866 was appointed principal of his old college; but about 1871 he founded the new Veterinary College in Edinburgh. He was regarded as an authority in his profession, published a number of standard works, and in 1879-80 was president of the R.C.V.S. He died in 1900. He had a son,

### WILLIAM OWEN WILLIAMS (1860 - 1911),

Born at Bradford, 1860, who studied in his father's college and in Paris, and who became first a professor and then (1900) principal of the New Veterinary College; in 1903 he was appointed veterinary surgeon to the royal stables; in 1904 he was elected to the chair of animal medicine and surgery in the University of Liverpool. He died 7 September 1911.

#### Author

Emeritus Professor Robert Thomas Jenkins, (1881 - 1969)

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