

JAMES, FRANK TREHARNE (1861 - 1942), solicitor, art connoisseur

Name: Frank Treharne James
Date of birth: 1861
Date of death: 1942
Gender: Male
Occupation: solicitor, art connoisseur
Area of activity: Art and Architecture; Law
Authors: Archibald Henry Lee, William Llewelyn Davies

Born at Merthyr Tydfil, Glamorganshire. He was admitted as solicitor in 1884, and was for forty years Clerk to the Merthyr Board of Guardians. Becoming a member of the Merthyr Town Council in 1904, he remained a member until his death; he was Mayor for the year 1907-08. Commissioned in the 3rd Volunteer Battalion of the Welch Regiment in 1890, he transferred to the Territorials in 1907 and retired with the rank of major in 1910. He was chairman of the Taf Fechan Water Board in 1925, 1926, 1941 and 1942. He took a very deep interest in the National Library of Wales (governor and a member of the Council) and in the National Museum of Wales where, besides being a governor and a member of the Council, he was also chairman of its Art and Archaeology Committee. He was also chairman of the Merthyr Museum Committee. He became a M.B.E. in 1919. He died on 15 February 1942. A bronze bust of him, by [Sir William Goscombe John](#), is in the National Museum of Wales.

Authors

Archibald Henry Lee

Sir William Llewelyn Davies, (1887 - 1952)

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