

JAMES, JAMES ('Iago ap Iago'; 1818 - 1843), poet

Name: James James
Pseudonym: Iago ap Iago
Date of birth: 1818
Date of death: 1843
Parent: James James
Gender: Male
Occupation: poet
Area of activity: Poetry
Author: Rhys Maldwyn Thomas

Born 14 March 1818 at Defynnog, Brecknockshire, son of James James, merchant. He was educated at the village school and also privately. Despite having a weak constitution, he studied diligently and was considered to be a good linguist. He died 30 July 1843 aged 25. His poetry was written in free metre, and some of his work, as well as articles, appeared in *Yr Eurgrawn* and other periodicals. His brother, Morgan James, wrote a short biography of him and collected his poetical works, in a volume edited by I. Jenkins, and published by Thomas Williams, Crickhowell, in 1844.

Author

Reverend Rhys Maldwyn Thomas

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