

GRONOW, DANIEL (died 1796), Presbyterian minister

Name: Daniel Gronow
Date of death: 1796
Gender: Male
Occupation: Presbyterian minister
Area of activity: Religion
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Born at Llangyfelach, Glamorganshire, was a member of Mynydd-bach church. He was at Carmarthen Academy from 1757 to 1760, when he was ordained assistant to Philip Pugh in the pastorate of Cilgwyn, Cardiganshire, and its branches; it would seem that Cihau Aeron and Neuadd-lwyd were his special charge. It is clear from Edmund Jones's disparaging references to him (diary, 1768) that Gronow was not even then an orthodox Calvinist. In 1769, he was called to the newly-founded Independent church at Bala (*Hanes Eglwysi Annibynnol Cymru*, i, 406-7), where he worked hard, founding a new church at Tyn-y-bont and holding services at Llandderfel. He succeeded Thomas Evans (1714? - 1779) in 1780 at Mixenden, Yorkshire; during his short stay there, he was a Unitarian (Miall, *Congregationalism in Yorkshire*, 319 - which calls him 'David Gronow' and speaks of his 'imperfect' English). From 1782 till 1787, he was pastor of various churches in Yorkshire, but removed then to Alfreton, Derby., where he died in 1796.

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