

## JONES, JOHN (1837 - 1906), minister (Presb.) and writer

Name: John Jones Date of birth: 1837 Date of death: 1906 Parent: George Jones Gender: Male Occupation: minister (Presb.) and writer Area of activity: Literature and Writing; Religion Author: Robert Thomas Jenkins

Born December 1837, son of George Jones, Abercin (Abercain), Llanystumdwy, Caernarfonshire, see *Caernarvonshire Historical Society Transactions*, 1945, 46-8, 54, and the chart in J. E. Griffith, *Pedigrees*, 211 (although this particular branch of the pedigree is not included in it).

He served in drapers' shops in Caernarfon and London, but he began to preach and went to Bala College in 1861. He was ordained in 1863, but apart from a short period (1872-78) when he was pastor of Capel y Graig near Bangor, he did not serve as a minister of a church.

He married a daughter of David Jones, Treborth (1805 - 1868). For some years after 1878 he was manager of a private (family) bank ' Pugh, Jones & Co. ' in Bethesda, but returned to Pwllheli (where he had lived before going to Capel y Graig), and died there 19 or 20 June 1906; he was buried at Glanadda, Bangor.

He led a fairly prosperous life; he travelled much; he was interested in geology and geography, and wrote much on these subjects for the *Traethodydd*. He also published biographies of two eccentric ministers, Michael Roberts of Pwllheli and John Jones, Bryn'rodyn.

#### Author

Emeritus Professor Robert Thomas Jenkins, (1881 - 1969)

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