

ADRODDIAD BLYNYDDOL / ANNUAL REPORT 1919-20

DR W JONES WILLIAMS

1920001

Ffynhonnell / Source

The late Dr W Jones Williams, of Middlesborough

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

The late Dr W Jones Williams, of Middlesborough, by his will bequeathed to the Library his collection of Welsh books and Mrs Williams has added a number of other books from his library (Dept of Printed Books), and has also sent as a gift from herself a portrait in water colour of Sion Wyn o Eifion, to whom the late Dr Williams was related (Dept of Pictures and Maps). Dr Williams, who was born at Portmadoc, practised for over fifty years as a physician at Middlesborough. He was well known as an ardent lover of his native country, and a collector of Welsh books. The bequest to the Library includes a number of important documents dealing with the history of the Campbellite Baptist in North Wales, which are at present in the hands of Professor Dr Witton Davies, who is writing a history of that religious body. I desire to put on record the kindness of Mrs Williams in carrying out her husband's wishes.

Mynegai

Porthmadog, Gogledd Cymru.

EARL OF POWIS

1920002

Ffynhonnell / Source

The Earl of Powis

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

The Earl of Powis has presented 496 volumes, folio, all valuable works of reference (Dept of Printed Books).

DANIEL DAVIES, TON PENTRE

1920003

Ffynhonnell / Source

The late Mr Daniel Davies, of Ton Pentre

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

The late Mr Daniel Davies, of Ton Pentre, was an enthusiastic collector of books dealing with the history of Methodism in Wales, and in the course of his life acquired many rare books on the subject, especially those dealing with the early Methodist movement (NLW MSS 3191-8C). After Mr Davies's death, Mr Lleufer Thomas and Rev M H Jones, of Ton Pentre, interested themselves to secure for the National Library such works as were not already in the Library. The books were all carefully catalogued by Rev M H Jones and the catalogue was sent to the Library to be checked. All the books required have been purchased and presented to the Library, together with a collection of autograph letters, many of historical interest, 1855 in number. The number of printed books is about 220 (Dept of Printed Books). The gift is made by the late Mr Davies's employers, the Ocean Coal Company.

HENRY TAYLOR

1920004

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr Henry Taylor

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Mr Henry Taylor has sent further contributions to his Flintshire collection (NLW MSS 6267-331), including a series of election records for the county covering the years 1835-52 (NLW MSS 6313-15C, 6316-18B, 6319-21E).

Mynegai

Sir Fflint.

`CAMBRIAN NEWS'

1920005

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr D C Roberts

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Mr D C Roberts has given 23 volumes of the "Cambrian News", 1873-1903, which practically makes complete the file of that newspaper from 1873 to the present date (Dept of Printed Books).

SIR HENRY WILLIAMS-WYNN

1920006

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mrs Stanley Leighton, of Sweeney Hall, Oswestry, and Sloane Gardens, London

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Mrs Stanley Leighton, of Sweeney Hall, Oswestry, and Sloane Gardens, London, has carried out her intention of placing in the Library for preservation the very valuable correspondence of Sir Henry Williams-Wynn, her grandfather, who in his day was a distinguished diplomat, and represented Great Britain at Dresden, Copenhagen, and other foreign courts during the Napoleonic Wars. The correspondence covers the years 1795-1856, and has been mounted and bound in eighteen quarto volumes (NLW MSS 2789-806D). Some of the letters form the basis of a volume "The Letters of Charlotte Grenville", Lady Williams Wynn," edited by Miss Rachel Leighton, which will be published shortly by Mr Murray.

Mynegai

Croesoswallt, Llundain.

RUTHIN

1920007

Ffynhonnell / Source

Major Cornwallis-West

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Major Cornwallis-West has sent on deposit the portion of the records of the Lordship of Ruthin which remained at Ruthin Castle. The early records of the lordship were removed to the Public Record Office in London many years ago.

Mynegai

Rhuthun, Archifdy Gwladol, PRO.

Nodiadau

Collection purchased 1929. Schedule Available.

PRINCIPAL ROBERTS

1920008

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mrs T F Davies Roberts and her son, Mr Robert Davies Roberts

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Mrs T F Davies Roberts and her son, Mr Robert Davies Roberts, have arranged to divide the library of the late Principal Roberts between the University College and the National Library. The books for the National Library include important works dealing with Greek philosophy, the Greek classical writers, with education, general literature, and some Welsh literature (Dept of Printed Books).

Mynegai

Coleg Prifysgol Cymru, Aberystwyth, Llyfrgell Genedlaethol Cymru.

HELEN OWEN BEQUEST

1920009

Ffynhonnell / Source

The late Miss Helen Owen

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

The articles included in the bequest made by the late Miss Helen Owen have now been received. They include a number of pieces of Sheffield plate, a few pictures, some personalia (Dept of Pictures and Maps), and 440 volumes in general literature (Dept of Printed Books). Miss Owen sent the MSS relating to her family to the Library during her life, and they were arranged and suitably bound at her expense. The gift of books which she made in her lifetime numbered altogether 730 volumes, besides a large number of prints and drawings.

JUDGE OWEN

1920010

Ffynhonnell / Source

Colonel William Owen

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Colonel William Owen has presented 316 volumes selected from the library of his father, the late Judge Owen who was a keen lover of books and acquired some rare books in good condition (Dept of Printed Books). The volumes selected for the National Library include many valuable books.

H D M SPENCE-JONES

1920011

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mrs Spence Jones, late of Pantglas

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Mrs Spence Jones, late of Pantglas, has given 147 volumes from the library of her husband, the late Very Rev H D M Spence-Jones, Dean of Gloucester (Dept of Printed Books). These books are many of them choice works, handsomely bound.

Mynegai

Caerloyw.

POOR LAW ADMINISTRATION IN NORTH WALES

1920012

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mrs Anderson, Lewes

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Mrs Anderson of Lewes has presented 9 folio volumes dealing with Poor Law Administration in North Wales from 1836 to 1844 (NLW MSS 3141-9F). These were put together by her father, Mr Day, who was Poor Law Commissioner in Wales and Shropshire during those years. The volumes are a valuable record.

Mynegai

Gogledd Cymru, Swydd Gaerloyw.

WILLIAM WILLIAMS, PANTYCELYN

1920013

Ffynhonnell / Source

The Reverend Canon Lloyd, Vicar of Llanpumpsaint

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

The Rev Canon Lloyd, Vicar of Llanpumpsaint, has given three volumes which formerly belonged to the great Welsh hymn writer, William Williams of Pantycelyn (Dept of Printed Books). Each of the books bears an autograph or other evidences of ownership. The books were given to Canon Lloyd by the nephew of William Powell, his predecessor at Llanpumpsaint, who had the library of John Williams, the son of William Williams of Pantycelyn, which library was sold some years ago at Llanpumpsaint and is now at Trevecca.

Mynegai

Llanpumpsaint, Llandeilo Pumsaint, Trefeca.

ANERCHIADAU'R ARCHESGOB EDWARDS

1920014

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr E Elliss Hughes, Chief Reporter of the "Western Mail", Cardiff

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

An addition which will be of historic interest is the autograph manuscript of the first public utterance of the first Archbishop and Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Wales, delivered at Llandrindod Wells on April 9th, immediately after the Governing Body of the Church in Wales had concurred by acclamation in his election (NLW MS 1176B). Presented by Mr E Elliss Hughes, Chief Reporter of the "Western Mail", Cardiff.

Mynegai

Caerdydd.

ELLIS HUMPHREY EVANS ('HEDD WYN')

1920015

Ffynhonnell / Source

Dr R D Evans of Blaenau Festiniog

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Dr R D Evans of Blaenau Festiniog has sent two MS. poems in the autograph of Hedd Wyn, the distinguished young shepherd poet, who was killed in the War, and to whose memory a memorial is to be erected on the battlefield in France.

Mynegai

Blaenau Ffestiniog, First World War, Rhyfel Byd Cyntaf, Ffrainc.

THOMAS CHARLES, BALA ETC

1920016

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

The purchases include a selection from the valuable library of Professor Powell of Penarth, which adds some manuscripts and many desirable books in every branch of Celtic literature; mathematical books from the library of Professor Genese; and a group of nine letters written by Thomas Charles of Bala to his friend, Edward Griffen, between July 1776 and October 1788 (NLW MS 1467C). These letters are a new find. They cover a most important period in the life of Thomas Charles. Some of the letters in reply from Griffen to Charles have been printed. The discovery of these letters adds to the knowledge already available with regard to Charles's life at Oxford, his early ministerial work, and incidentally his marriage. The same group includes two letters from Charles's intimate friend, William Jones, of Abergavenny, written to Griffen in 1776.

Mynegai

Rhydychen, Y Fenni.

`ACTA SANCTORUM' ETC

1920017

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

The purchases from the Special Book Fund include a set of the Acta Sanctorum, in 62 volumes (Dept of Printed Books); folios and the library of the late Mr Geo. Henfrey, of Tregyb, Carmarthenshire, which contains a valuable collection of books in English literature (about 650 volumes) (Dept of Printed Books); books dealing with Italian literature and history, and French and German literature (Dept of Printed Books). Mr Henfrey spent a large part of his life in Italy. He died at the age of 86, in 1918. His daughters were married, one to the late Colonel Gwynne Hughes of Glan Cothi, and the other to the late Colonel Gwynne Hughes of Tregyb.

Mynegai

Yr Eidal, Ffrainc, Yr Almaen.

MONSIGNOR PUCCI

1920018

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Through the good offices of Mr T D Jenkins, of Bodhyfryd, Aberystwyth, a gift has been received from the Vatican. Mr Jenkins during his visits to Rome interested Monsignor Pucci, private chaplain to the Pope, in the National Library with the result that the Pope expressed a desire to make the Library a gift. The gift includes a work on the Pontifical Navy in 10 volumes, a work on the paintings in the Catacombs in two volumes, the Acts of Pius X in 5 volumes, a volume containing the Agreements between the Papacy and various Countries 1098-1914 (Dept of Printed Books), and the autographed portrait of His Holiness Benedict XV, "as a personal signification of good will to the National Library of Wales" (Dept of Pictures and Maps). These gifts were conveyed to the Library and formally presented by Monsignor Pucci to the President and Council on the 24th September. The gifts were acknowledged on behalf of the Council by Mr Herbert M Vaughan in a graceful Latin address.

Mynegai

Llyfrgell Genedlaethol Cymru.

BRONZE MEDALLION OF D LLOYD GEORGE

1920019

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr T D Jenkins

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Mr T D Jenkins has presented a medallion in bronze of the Prime Minister, the work of an Australian artist, Miss Dora Ohlfsen, formerly of Sydney, N.S. Wales, but now chiefly residing in Rome, where she has a studio (Dept of Pictures and Maps). Miss Ohlfsen is engaged on a series of medallion

portraits of war celebrities for the Australian Government. The portrait of Mr Lloyd George was modelled from life as one of this series.

Mynegai
Awstralia, Rhufain.

CASTELL GORFOD

1920020

Ffynhonnell / Source

Captain Buckley of Castell Gorfod, St. Clears

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Captain Buckley of Castell Gorfod, St Clears has deposited the valuable library collected by his maternal grandfather, Mr Joseph Joseph, FSA of Brecon. The collection has been preserved with loving care by Captain Buckley who has made additions to it from time to time, notably a transcript of the Golden Grove Book in 21 volumes. The library is rich in rare books relating to the Counties of Brecknock and Carmarthen, and also contains some MSS.

Mynegai

Aberhonddu, Sir Frycheiniog, Sir Gaerfyrddin.

CATALOGUES OF THE PIERPONT MORGAN COLLECTIONS

1920021

Ffynhonnell / Source

D Lloyd George

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Mr J Pierpont Morgan has been induced by the Prime Minister to make a gift of the very valuable catalogues of the Pierpont Morgan treasures (Dept of Printed Books).

The catalogues are:-

Books and Manuscripts, 4 volumes, Drawings, 2 volumes, Paintings, 3 volumes, Gallo Roman art. Marvingian antiquities. German antiquities. Greau collection of glass, 5 volumes. The Golden Gospels of Henry VIII. French porcelains. Tapestries. Watches.

The other catalogues of the series were given by the late Mr Pierpont Morgan in 1912, viz:- Miniatures. Jewellery and works of art.

Mynegai

D. Lloyd George.

PENIARTH DEEDS

1920022

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mrs Wynne of Peniarth

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Mrs Wynne of Peniarth, a member of the Court, has arranged to place in the library on deposit the deeds preserved at Peniarth which relate to properties formerly part of the Peniarth estates which have been sold from time to time. The collection is of great value for historical purposes. The deposit is made under certain conditions, which include a provision that the documents may be used for literary and historical research. The first portion, relating to Flintshire, has been received, and a brief schedule prepared. The number is just over 600 deeds, ranging from 1439 to the end of the 18th century. The remaining deeds will be delivered shortly, and when these have been listed it is proposed to compile and print in full calendar of the collection.

Mynegai

Sir Fflint.

Nodiadau

Schedule Available.

RUTHIN

1920023

Ffynhonnell / Source

Major Cornwallis West

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

A brief reference was made in the report presented to the half-yearly meeting held in May last to the Records of the Lordship of Ruthin, deposited by Major Cornwallis West, subject to conditions agreed between him and the Council, which include a provision similar to the Peniarth agreement with regard to use of the documents for literary and historical research. The collection is very large. It will be dealt with on similar lines to the Peniarth documents as regards scheduling and calendaring.

Mynegai

Rhuthun.

Nodiadau

Collection purchased 1929.

TREVECCA COLLEGE LIBRARY

1920024

Ffynhonnell / Source

South Wales Methodist Association

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

An arrangement has been made with the South Wales Methodist Association for the deposit of a portion of the Library of the College at Trevecca, including the books which belonged to Howel Harris, the section known as the Williams Pantycelyn collection, and a selection of the books sent to Trevecca through the exertions of Rev Edward Matthews of Ewenny. The books have been brought to the National Library and they will be arranged with the assistance of Rev M H Jones, who has special knowledge with regard to the books.

Mynegai

Trefeca.

D LLEUFER THOMAS

1920025

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr Lleufer Thomas

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Mr Lleufer Thomas, who regrets that he is unable to be present today, sends a very interesting association book, a copy of The English Physician enlarged with manuscript notes by Wm. Bona of Llanpumpsaint (NLW MS 4545A). The notes refer to plants growing in Carmarthenshire in the middle of the 18th century, and will be valuable as a piece of historical botany. The little volume was subsequently the property of Thomas Evans (Tomos Glyn Cothi) the great grandfather of Mrs Lleufer Thomas who now passes this interesting volume into the safe custody of the National Library.

Mynegai

Llanpumpsaint, Sir Gaerfyrddin, William Bona.

LOCAL BANK NOTES

1920026

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr Arthur Jones

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

A few notes issued by the local banks which were so numerous in the earlier years of the XIXth century have come to the library from time to time. The small collection thus formed has recently been augmented from two sources. Mr Arthur Jones, Manager of the Aberystwyth branch of the London City and Midland Bank, has obtained from the Head Office specimens of notes issued by the North and South Wales Bank which by amalgamation is now absorbed in the London City and Midland Bank (Dept of Pictures and Maps).

LOCAL BANK NOTES

1920027

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr C T Owen

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

A generous friend to the National Library, Mr C T Owen, has transferred to the library his collection of local bank notes which besides Welsh banks includes a number of similar notes issued by banks outside Wales (Dept of Pictures and Maps). Mr Owen has also given a number of other things of exceptional interest, at present in the hands of the binder, of which I may say something at another time.

MRS THRALE'S MARRIAGE SETTLEMENT

1920028

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr Cator, the High Sheriff of Norfolk

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

During the recent visit to Norwich of the Library Association my attention was directed to a deed of settlement of lands in Denbighshire belonging to Mr Cator of Woodbastwick Hall, the High Sheriff of Norfolk. Mr Cator very kindly allowed me to see the deed which proved to be the settlement made on the marriage of Hestor Lynch Salesbury to Mr Thrale, the trustees of the settlement being Dr Samuel Johnson and John Cator, an ancestor of the present owner. Mr Cator has been good enough to lend the deed for a copy to be made for the library, and I have pleasure in putting before you the excellent copy made by means of a photostat machine.

Mr Cator has another deed of the 17th century relating to some property which is described as being "in the County of Monmouth in Wales".

Mynegai

Sir Ddinbych, Sir Fynwy.

CEIRIOG SCRAP BOOK

1920029

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr David Jones, J.P., of Liverpool

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Mr David Jones, J.P., of Liverpool, a member of the Court and the Council, has purchased and presented an interesting relic of the poet Ceiriog. A Scrap Book in which Ceiriog pasted drafts of his won compositions and many other items which he wished to preserve (NLW MSS 4551E, 4552-3D). It will be necessary to put the volume into the hands of the binders in order that the pieces inserted may be floated off and mounted for in many instances they are pasted on to sheets containing writing in the poet's autograph. This will be done, and may result in some discoveries. The Scrap Book has been

preserved for many years by Mr J H Jones, Editor of Y Brython, who regarded it as one of his treasures.

Mynegai
Lerpwl.

DR MORRIS' LIBRARY

1920030

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mrs Morris of Bryn Alban, Aberystwyth

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

A selection of 730 volumes from the library of the late Rev Dr Morris of Aberystwyth has been presented by his widow (Mrs Morris of Bryn Alban, North Road) and his two sons, Mr J Alban Morris and Mr Emerson Morris (Dept of Printed Books). The selection includes a number of scarce local items, and books relating to the Baptist in Wales (NLW MSS 6851-66). Dr Morris was for some years Hon. Secretary of the Haverfordwest Baptist College, and a subscriber to the building fund of the National Library.

Mynegai

Hwlfordd, Llyfrgell Genedlaethol Cymru.

A GENERAL HISTORY OF CHINA

1920031

Ffynhonnell / Source

The Reverend J Lambert Rees, M.A., B.Sc.,

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

I should like to refer specially to the gift of a General History of China (in Chinese) 3 volumes, given by the author, Rev J Lambert Rees, M.A., B.Sc., Vicar of Llanddowror, who was formerly a missionary in China, and who recently received the honorary degree of M.A. of the University of Wales (Dept of Printed Books).

WELSH MISSIONARIES

1920032

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

The National Library is gradually bringing together the books written or translated into native languages of Welsh missionaries. The works of the late Dr Timothy Richard and Dr Hopkin Rees, printed at Shanghai are well represented in the library, and also the productions of the Methodist Mission in Khasia (Dept of Printed Books). Any contributions of books, reports, or other publications of similar nature associated with the work of Welshmen abroad will always be welcomed.