

ADRODDIAD BLYNYDDOL / ANNUAL REPORT 1930-31

GEORGE BLACKER-MORGAN

1931001

Ffynhonnell / Source

The late Mr George Blacker-Morgan, Addiscombe, Croydon.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Six printed books, four of which were compiled by Mr Blacker-Morgan (Dept of Printed Books), namely:-

A Calendar of the Charters, Rolls and other documents (dating from AD 1182) as contained in the Muniment Room at Sherborne House, in Gloucestershire.

Privately printed.

Historical and genealogical memoirs of the Dutton Family, of Sherborne, in Gloucestershire, 1899.

Privately printed, and containing autograph letters from Lord Sherborne to Mr Blacker-Morgan.

Memorials of the birthplace and residence of the Rev. William Law, MA, at King's Cliffe, in Northamptonshire. Guildford, 1895.

The Titular Barony of Clavering . . . 1891.

Privately printed and extra illustrated with photographic views of Axwell Park, Durham.

A copy of the sale catalogue of the Townsend heirlooms (Messrs Christie Manson & Woods, March, 1904), with three autographs from Lord Sherborne to Mr Blacker-Morgan with reference to a portrait of Sir Thomas Dutton, purchased by Lord Sherborne at the sale, and a long newspaper account of the sale.

Ladoroke and its owners, by SHAH. (1914). Inserted in the volume are three letters from the author, signed 'Sydenham H. A. Hervey'.

ADDRESS TO THE PRINCE OF WALES

1931002

Ffynhonnell / Source

His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales.

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Disgrifiad / Description

Two addresses presented to His Royal Highness during his visit to the Argentine Republic in March 1931.

One, a manuscript of eleven vellum leaves, stabbed and attached by a silk cord to a loose cover of Russian leather, with gilt lettering and inside pockets, and enclosed in a case lined with snake-patterned varnished paper, was presented to HRH by the Welsh Pioneers of Cwm Hyfryd in the Argentine (NLW MS 7265B).

The other is an illuminated address, also in Welsh, presented by the Welsh Colonists on the banks of the Camwy (Dept of Pictures and Maps). It is signed by twenty-seven of the colonists, and is encircled by an ornamental border into which are worked illustrations descriptive of the history of the beginnings of the settlement in 1865 and maps of the coastline of Wales and of Patagonia.

Mynegai

Yr Ariannin.

A CHESTER BEATTY

1931003

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr A Chester Beatty, London.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

The Library of A. Chester Beatty. A descriptive catalogue of the Western Manuscripts by Eric George Millar, FSA.

Two volumes, large folio. Privately printed at the Oxford University Press, 1930.
In 1927 the donor presented the first part of the catalogue, in two similar volumes, where in forty-three of the Western manuscripts in his collection were described. In this part a further thirty-eight manuscripts are catalogued. Two additional volumes will be devoted to descriptions of his Coptic, Greek and miscellaneous manuscripts (Dept of Printed Books)

J BEDDOW

1931004

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr J Beddow, Westminster, London.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

1. Report on a supply of water to Aberystwyth from the source of the river Rheidol, by W. J. Holroyde and J. W. Szlumper, 1863 (Dept of Printed Books).

2. Borough of Aberystwyth. The Plynlimmon Water Scheme. Report by Major Tulloch, 1879.

3. Report of the Surveyor [J. W. Szlumper] for the County of Cardigan, 1878 (Dept of Printed Books).

4. Portrait of Sir James Szlumper in mayoral robes, and a photograph of him taken in Aberystwyth Station Yard (Dept of Pictures and Maps).

Reference is made in another part of this Report (pp. 45-6) to the collection of books relating to railways which was formerly in the possession of Sir James Szlumper.

Mynegai

Sir Aberteifi, Plynlimon, Pumlumon.

AGRICULTURAL ACCOUNTS; CHARLOTTE MARY DRAPE

1931005

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr J C Bowen, Goodwick.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Two manuscript volumes of agricultural accounts, one dating from 1842 and the other from 1847 (NLW MSS 6986B, 6987D).

An album of English prose and verse quotations, written mainly by Charlotte Mary Drape, Kingsdown, between 1834 and 1851 (NLW MS 6988C).

Five printed books, including one from the Catnach Press, Alnwick, 1808.

MAESMYNAN

1931006

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr G R Brigstocke, Ferry Side.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Fifteen documents (1663-1826) relating to the manor of Maesmynan, co. Denbigh.

Nodiadau

Schedule Available, Miscellaneous II.

BURRELL MSS

1931007

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr John Burrell, Aberystwyth.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

- (1) Papers, autograph letters and accounts relating to the activities of the London-Welsh churches, the Cambro-Briton Society, etc. (NLW MSS 6980-1C, 6982D, 6983F)
- (2) A facsimile of the original list of subscriptions towards the building and endowing of Greenwich Hospital.
- (3) A manuscript volume of Cwmystwyth chapel accounts, 1836 (NLW MS 6979B).

SIR LEWIS MORRIS

1931008

Ffynhonnell / Source

Carmarthenshire Antiquarian Society, per Mr George Eyre Evans and Mr Ernest V Collier.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

A scrap-book containing press-cuttings relating mainly to the publication of Songs of Two Worlds by Sir Lewis Morris (NLW MS 6730D).

THE MANX SOCIETY

1931009

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr William Cubbon, Douglas, I.O.M.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Pamphlets relating to the Isle of Man and to Manx affairs, including the Reports of the annual meeting of "Yn Cheshaght Ghailckagh" (The Manx Society), 1919-30; reports on bird migration in the Isle of Man, 1925-7; publications of the Manx Museum and Art Gallery, etc. (Dept of Printed Books)

Mynegai

Ynys Manaw.

DAVID DAVIES

1931010

Ffynhonnell / Source

The President, Mr David Davies, Llandinam.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

The Problem of the Twentieth Century: a study in international relationships, by David Davies. London: Benn, 1930 (Dept of Printed Books).

Number 27 of 50 copies, presented by the author, and specially bound in full red morocco, t.e.g.

THE MISSES DAVIES, GREGYNOG HALL

1931011

Ffynhonnell / Source

The Misses Davies, Gregynnog Hall, Newtown.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Psalmu Dafydd yn ol William Morgan, 1588. Gwasg Gregynnog, 1929 (Dept of Printed Books). No. 15 of 225 copies, bound in full blue crushed levant morocco, dentelles gilt-lined, t.e.g.

Penillion Omar Khayyam wedi eu cyfieithu o'r Berseg i'r Gymraeg gan John Morris-Jones. Gwasg Gregynnog, 1929 (Dept of Printed Books).

No. 23 of 310 copies on hand-made paper, bound in full light-blue crushed levant morocco. Wood-engravings by R. A. Maynard (Dept of Printed Books).

Christina Rossetti. Poems chosen by Walter de la Mare. The Gregynnog Press, 1930.

No. 14 of 300 copies printed on vellum paper. Bound in red crushed levant morocco, gilt-tooled in a leaf design, dentells gilt-lined, t.e.g. (Dept of Printed Books)

OWEN OWENS, RHESYCAE

1931012

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr H O Davies, Manchester.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Manuscripts and books of the Rev. Owen Owens, Rhesycae, Flintshire (NLW MSS 11085-6B). The manuscripts include sermons, lectures and addresses, accounts, copies of hymns, autograph letters and miscellaneous notes. The printed volumes, published during the first half of the nineteenth century, are mainly on religious themes, several of them consisting of poetical works.

\$N Mynegai

Rhes-y-cae (Halkyn).

THE MANOR OF RUMPNEY

1931013

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr W R Davies, Cardiff.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

A contemporary manuscript copy of the customs of the manor of Rumpney, co. Monmouth, as presented on September 24, 1784 (NLW MS 6695C).

Mynegai

Rumney.

EVAN EDWARDES, ABERYSTWYTH

1931014

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mrs E Edwardes, Llandrindod Wells.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Thirty-four manuscript note-books containing poetry, and a collection of autograph letters and papers, formerly belonging to her husband, the late Rev. Evan Edwardes, Aberystwyth (NLW MSS 6783-91B, 6792D, 6793B, 6794A, 6795-6B, 6797A).

SIR O M EDWARDS

1931015

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr Ifan ab Owen Edwards, Aberystwyth, and Mrs D Hughes Parry, London.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

A selection of manuscripts and books from the library of their father, the late Sir Owen M. Edwards (NLW MSS 8330-444).

The bulk of the manuscript material belongs to the nineteenth century, much of it consisting of original copy of matter published, or sent for publication, in Cymru and Cyfres y Fil, in the form of essays, short stories, original and translated poetry, collections of proverbs, etc. There are also account books, copies of sermons, sermon notes, diary entries, recipes, miscellaneous papers on various literary topics, and autograph letters of Welsh celebrities, including a number of letters of Ebenezer Thomas, 'Eben Fardd', and his wife, written to their son, James, at school in Chester.

The older manuscripts include:-

1. A sixteenth-century copy of *Moralitates Historiarum*, the Latin work of Robert Holcot, a Dominican friar, which was first published at Venice in 1505. This is bound with an incunabulum of 1478, - *Exempla Sacrae Scripturae*.
2. A seventeenth-century volume of poetry and prose, containing 263 folios. The greater portion consists of poems of over forty Welsh bards, from Taliesin and Myrddin Wyllt to the bards of the late sixteenth and early seventeenth centuries. The prose items include the epigrams of John Owen and a list of the graduates at the Caerwys eisteddfod of 1567.
3. A small early seventeenth-century manuscript containing 'cywyddau' by Sion Cent, Iolo Goch, Sion Tudur, Gruffudd Gryg, Gruffudd Hiraethog, Deio ab Evan and Dafydd ab Edmund. This manuscript formerly belonged to Thomas Edwards, 'Twm o'r Nant'.
4. An eighteenth-century manuscript volume containing, among other items, a Latin translation by John Thomas, MA, Jesus College, Oxford, of Evan Evans's Dissertation on the Welsh bards, this being the translator's autograph copy; a copy of Sir John Wynn's History of the Gwydir Family; and extracts from letters between Lewis Morris of Penybryn, Dr. Phillips of Blaenpant, Edward Richard of Ystrad Meurig, and Samuel Pegge of Whittington, 1759-60, relating to antiquities, etc.
5. Several eighteenth-century manuscript volumes containing collections of poetry.

There are also some manuscripts of local interest, such as the minutes of meetings of "Cymdeithas Lenyddol Meirion", 1850-5; several items relating to Llanuwchllyn; an essay on the history of Abergele; rent accounts for the parish of Trefriw, 1818-37; and suggestions for road improvements at Barmouth.

The printed material consists of about 300 books and periodicals (Dept of Printed Books). Many are duplicates of books already in the Library, but some are more complete and in better condition.

The most important single book in the collection is a copy of *Y Llyfr Plygain*, 1683, of which no other copy is known. All the early editions of *Y Llyfr Plygain* are rare, but this is one of the rarest.

What makes this edition the more interesting is that at the end, but forming part of the book, is what may be described as probably the first example of a copy-book in Welsh. There are instructions on how to make a quill pen, and ink, how to sit when writing, how to hold the pen, etc. These instructions, written in that idiomatic Welsh which is characteristic of Thomas Jones of London and Shrewsbury, (the first publisher of Welsh almanacs), are followed by four leaves printed from wood blocks and giving examples of a round hand, an italic hand, and a mixed hand.

The Bala, Dolgelly, Wrexham and other North Wales presses of the eighteenth century are very well represented. There is one example of the press of Enoch Jones, Llanerchymedd, *Casgliad o Salmau a Hymnau*, 1824.

The early editions of John Bunyan include a copy (imperfect) of the first edition of *Taith y Pererin*, 1688; a volume published by John Ross, Carmarthen, containing *Cadwedigaeth trwy Ras* and *Y Porth Cyfyng*, 1791, and two Chester-printed works - *Dull y Briodas Ysbrydol*, 1770, and *Helaethrwydd o Ras*, 1767.

There is a fine copy of *Studies and Designs* by Richard Wilson, done at Rome in 1752. Oxford, 1811.

Many of the books are annotated by previous owners, and a number contain book-plates. Among the English books, mostly of Welsh interest, mention may be made of:-

1. *Britannia*, by William Camden. London. Newbery, 1587.

A nice copy, with a list of errata at the end, and the book-plate of Paul Panton.

2. *Institutio Christianae religionis Johanne Calvino authore*. Geneva, 1618.

3. *The Holy Table, name and thing*, by John Williams, Archbishop of York. Printed for the Diocese of Lincoln, 1637.

4. *The Running Register, recording a true relation of the state of the English colledges seminaries and cloysters in all forraine parts . . .* by Lewis Owen. London, 1626.

A fine copy, bound in full calf, gilt edges.

5. The composite volume previously mentioned, consisting of *Moralitates Historiarum* in manuscript, bound with *Exempla sacrae scripturae*, printed by U. Gering, Paris, 1478. This is the only example in the Library of the press of Gering, (died 1510), one of the earliest of French printers, and is an interesting addition to the collection of incunabula.

Mynegai

Caer, Rhydychen, Sir Feirionnydd, Bermo, Abermaw, Dolgellau, Wrecsam, Caerfyrddin, Llundain, Amwythig.

Nodiadau

Schedule Available

DR ELLIS HENRY ELLIS

1931016

Ffynhonnell / Source

Miss Grace Ellis, Bangor.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

A list of seventy-six essays and papers published in the years 1869-78 by Dr Ellis Henry Ellis. Rough memoranda relating to literary and other matters pertaining to Dr Henry Ellis, Dr Ellis Henry Ellis, and Miss Catherine Ellis (NLW MS 6732C).

WILLIAM EVANS ('ALAW AFAN')

1931017

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr Ebenezer Evans, Treorchy.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Music manuscripts of his father, the late William Evans, 'Alaw Afan' (NLW MSS 7795C, 7796D, 7797A, 7798B, 7799D, 7800B, 7801-2D, 7803A).

SERMONS; 'Y GENHEDLAETH GYMREIG YN LLUNDAIN'

1931018

Ffynhonnell / Source

The late Mr Evan Evans, Lledrod.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

1. Two manuscript volumes, the one containing sermons in English, delivered originally at Warrington and later at other places in Lancashire and Cheshire during 1722-36 (NLW MS 6738B), the other containing daily entries of visits paid to Welsh people in London by the Rev. John James, BD, representative of 'Y Genhadaeth Gymreig yn Llundain', 1862-3 (NLW MS 6739A).

2. Miscellaneous printed matter including reports and other pamphlets relating to the Presbyterian Church in Wales, and to public bodies in Cardiganshire, and a copy of The New Moral World by Robert Owen, 1836 (Dept of Printed Books).

Mynegai

Swydd Gaer, Sir Aberteifi.

J T EVANS

1931019

Ffynhonnell / Source

The Reverend J T Evans, Stow-on-the-Wold.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Seven documents (1801-32), relating to properties in the parishes of Solva, St Dogwells, Llanrian, Mathry, Haverfordwest and New Moat, co. Pembroke; and eight printed volumes.

Mynegai

Solfach, Mathri, Hwlfordd, Llanrhian, Y Mot.

JOHN COX

1931020

Ffynhonnell / Source

The late Reverend Canon William Evans, Narberth.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Press-cuttings relating to the deaths of John Cox, the Aberystwyth printer, and his parents, William and Sarah Cox (NLW MS 6734C).

Three autograph letters from G. E. Powell of Nanteos to his father and to John Cox (NLW MS 6734C).

MRS PENN LEWIS

1931021

Ffynhonnell / Source

Miss Mary Garrard, Bournemouth.

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Disgrifiad / Description

Seven volumes of the works of Mrs Penn Lewis (born at Neath, 1861, died in 1927) (Dept of Printed Books).

Mynegai

Castell-Nedd.

T ALLEN GLENN

1931022

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr T Allen Glenn, Abergele.

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Disgrifiad / Description

Notes relating to the Quaker family of Lloyd of Dolobran, Montgomeryshire (NLW MS 6990E), and a typescript list of the donor's works, both printed and in manuscript (NLW MS 6737C).

Mynegai

Sir Drefaldwyn.

D AVAN GRIFFITH

1931023

Ffynhonnell / Source

The Reverend D Avan Griffith, Llandrindod Wells.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

175 volumes mostly of a theological and philosophical character, including a copy of the first edition of A Grammar of the Malagasy language, 1854, by David Griffiths, ancestor of the donor (Dept of Printed Books).

CWRTMAWR

1931024

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr J W Griffith, Llangollen.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Material for an index to The Letters of Lewis, Richard, William and John Morris of Anglesey . . . (edited by J. H. Davies), compiled by the late T. Vaughan Roberts, consisting of slips for entries and general headings, together with a notebook containing a short index in the autograph of J. H. Davies. The slips help to fill up a gap in the manuscript index compiled by Mr Roberts and now in the Cwrtmawr collection (Cwrtmawr 144-7?).

LLANDILO FERRY

1931025

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr Myrddin Griffiths, Llandilo.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

A manuscript copy of the regulations, ordered on February 11, 1795, regarding the charges for crossing the ferry at Llandilo (NLW MS 21820). The original was signed by Lord Dynevor and others.

Mynegai

Llandeilo.

W H GRIFFITHS ('LLINOS WYRE')

1931026

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr W H Griffiths, 'Llinos Wyre', London.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Autograph copies of poems and tunes, including hymn-tunes, of the donor's own composition, copies of printed music, etc. (NLW MSS 8298D, 8299E, 8300-1B)

RHONDDA FIELD NAMES

1931027

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr H. Harris, Ystrad, Rhondda.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

A list of Rhondda field-names, compiled by the donor from records in the Bailey Estate Office, Ton Pentre, in July 1898 (NLW MS 6969A).

JAMES NORRIS BREWER

1931028

Ffynhonnell / Source

Major W M Huntbach, Congleton, per Vice-Principal Edward Edwards.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

A Descriptive and Historical Account of Various Palaces and Buildings (English and foreign), by James Norris Brewer, 1821, containing twenty-four copper-plate engravings (Dept of Printed Books).

`CYFRES Y FIL'

1931029

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr L Lloyd John, Corwen.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Thirty-six volumes of the 'Cyfres y Fil' series (edited by Sir Owen Edwards) and several works of a miscellaneous character. The books will be of great use in connection with the loan system associated with the adult study classes (Dept of Printed Books).

NAVY AND ARMY ILLUSTRATED

1931030

Ffynhonnell / Source

The Reverend D J Jones, Chatham.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Navy and Army Illustrated. Vols. I-IV, VI-XIV 1895-1902 (Dept of Printed Books).

JONATHAN HUGHES

1931031

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr J Gruffydd Jones, Llanrwst.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Portfolio containing autograph letters and other papers of the family of Jonathan Hughes, Pengwern, Llangollen, including four letters of Jonathan Hughes himself, written in 1798, 1802, 1803 and 1805, and two leaves from the Welsh Bible of 1746, on which are recorded the births of Jonathan Hughes, his wife and their children (NLW MS 6696E).

J W JONES

1931032

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr J W Jones, Blaenau Ffestiniog.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

A volume of transcripts, made by the donor, of poems by 'Ioan Twrog', Maentwrog, copied from a volume in the author's autograph, and a collection of nearly 300 autograph letters and postcards, eisteddfod adjudications by 'Elfyn', and miscellaneous literary material.

Nodiadau

Schedule Available

DR THOMAS JONES

1931033

Ffynhonnell / Source

Dr Thomas Jones, C.H., London.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

A copy of The Elphin Lloyd Jones Memorial Fund, being correspondence between Mr Stanley Baldwin and the donor with reference to the fund raised in memory of Elphin Lloyd Jones, together with a list of subscribers (Dept of Printed Books).

Printed on hand-made paper at the Gregynnog Press, 1930.

Y CENHADWR AMERICANAIDD

1931034

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr W A Jones, Utica, U.S.A.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Y Cenhadwr Americanaidd, vols 1 and 2 (in one volume), 1840-1 (Dept of Printed Books).

These were sent as the result of an appeal in Y Drych for certain volumes to complete the sets of the Welsh-American periodicals in the Library. It is hoped that other friends in the United States will follow the example of Mr Jones.

Mynegai

USA, Unol Daleithiau.

MARY WOLLSTONECRAFT

1931035

Ffynhonnell / Source

Professor D Kitano, Kobe, Japan.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Mary Wollstonecraft, the founder of feminism, her life and thoughts, by D. Kitano. [In Japanese]. Tokio: Chikura Shobo, 1930 (Dept of Printed Books).

Professor Kitano had previously presented to the Library The Life and Work of Robert Owen, the social reformer, also in Japanese.

WILLIAM ROBERTS ('NEFYDD')

1931036

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr Caleb Lewis, Blaina, Monmouthshire.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Manuscripts and books of the late William Roberts, 'Nefydd', (died 1872), author of Crefydd yr Oesoedd Tywyll. 'Nefydd' was a Baptist minister and superintendent of British Schools in South Wales. He set up a printing press in Blaina and is known to have edited and printed many numbers of Seren Gomer (NLW MSS 7011-175).

A. MANUSCRIPTS.

There are over 160 volumes of manuscripts of which the most interesting are perhaps:-

1. A volume of miscellanea transcribed about the middle of the seventeenth century, and containing:-

I. A transcript of LLYFR COCH ASAPH. Latin. pp. 53-240. (pp. 1-52 are missing) (NLW MS 7011D). The date of this transcript seems to fall between that of Peniarth MS 231 (Robert Vaughan of Hengwrt's copy) and that of the copy at St Asaph, of which the National Library has a facsimile (NLW MS 6045), for an examination of the three shows that the 'Nefydd' MS is a transcript of the Peniarth MS as far as the latter goes ('Nefydd' MS pp. 53-144), with the remainder (pp. 145-240) transcribed from other indicated sources. The St. Asaph copy has evidently been transcribed from the 'Nefydd' copy, as, wherever the Peniarth and Nefydd copies differ slightly owing to minor scribal errors, the St. Asaph copy always follows the 'Nefydd' copy rather than the Peniarth copy. Moreover, in the 'Nefydd' MS the signature of Gabriel Roberts appears on page 144; in the St Asaph copy the scribe has written-"This is subscribed by Gabriel Roberts".

II. Portion of Nennius, Historia Brittonum. Latin. pp. 245-4. (pp. 285-8 are missing).

III. Statutes of the Cathedral Church of Chester as set forth by King Henry VIII. English. pp 289-310. (pp. 311-12 missing).

IV. "Certaine Welsh antiquities concerninge Britaine". Welsh. pp. 313-49.

V. A brief note of Intayles made in the reign of Henry VI of lands in Flintshire. English. p. 350.

VI. Rents due to the King from diverse townships in Flintshire. Latin. pp.351-2.

VII. The custom of grinding corn at the Dee mills, Chester, "had out of an old booke of Edd. Whitby, Recorder of Chester" in the reign of Edward IV. Latin. pp. 353-9.

VIII. List of Englishmen and Welshmen who did homage and fealty to the Prince of Wales in the reign of Edward I, "had from Robert Vychan of Wengraig Hen". pp. 361-71.

2. A fragment of a volume entitled:-"Llyfr Kowyddau y masdr [Hwmffre] Huws or deirnon siryf Veirionydd", containing 'cywyddau' by Tomas Penllynn, Richard Philip, Tudor Owen, Sion Kain, Huw Machno, Sion Kent, several of them in the autographs of the poets themselves.

3. Records of the Courts Leet and Baron of the Manor of Glyndoverdwy, for the years 1643-65. An interesting feature of the record is the description in Welsh of the ear-marks of stray sheep. This again is only a fragment of a once larger manuscript.

4. Miscellaneous Welsh poetry of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries.

In this group one small note-book (incomplete) is worthy of mention; it contains drafts of hymns which were published by Morgan Rhys in 1767. The manuscript is possibly in the autograph of the author.

5. Diaries of Edmund Jones (1702-1793), Tranch, for the years 1729, 1731-2, 1739, 1768, 1770, 1773, 1778, 1780 and 1789. He was the author of Geographical, Historical, and Religious Account of the Parish of Aberystroth . . . 1779 and A Relation of Apparitions of Spirits in the Principality of Wales. The diary for 1780 has references to the printing of the Apparitions and to 'the sayings and doings of erroneous men' (mainly Methodists) (NLW MSS 7021-30A).

6. Several note-books of the Rev. Christmas Evans with sermon and lecture notes.

7. Manuscripts of Ben Jones, 'P.A. Môn', consisting of sermons, drafts of letters and articles for Seren Gomer, money accounts, etc.

8. Manuscripts of the Rev. Daniel Jones, Liverpool, Baptist minister, (died 1862), consisting mainly of sermon notes, essays in Welsh and English entered for eisteddfodau, etc.

9. Manuscripts in the autograph of 'Nefydd'.

These include his diaries for 1841, 1865-6 and 1868-1871, and his journal (written on foolscap sheets) for 1853-65; note-books containing Seren Gomer accounts for 1841, 1844, 1851-2, 1864-5, and accounts of miscellaneous 'receipts and expenditures', etc., 1842-69; notes of addresses in connection with the establishing of British Schools; sermons; adjudications; draft of the introduction to Crefydd yr Oesoedd Tywyll and notes on 'Mari Lwyd'.

10. Nearly 400 autograph letters, written by W. R. Baxter and J. Bowstead, inspectors under the British Schools; Christmas Evans; Thomas Gee; Joseph Harris, 'Gomer'; Ben Jones, 'P.A. Môn'; Daniel Jones, Liverpool (Nefydd's father-in-law); John Jones, 'Talhaiarn'; Brinley Richards; William Roos, the artist; Ebenezer Thomas, 'Eben Fardd'; William Williams, 'Creuddynfab', and many others.

11. A number of chapel registers such as "Llyfr Cwrdd Chwarterol yr Eglwys Bedyddiedig yn Aberduar, etc., 1766-1793"; a register of births, 1800-36 "belonging to . . . the Baptist Denomination . . . at Ceven Mawr "; an account book of Salem Baptist Church, Blaina, 1845-60; as well as an assessment book of the parish of Llanefydd, Denbighshire, 1837.

12. About thirty essays in Welsh and English, most written for competition at eisteddfodau and sent to 'Nefydd' for adjudication.

In addition to the manuscripts there are some legal papers, mainly private property deeds for the seventeenth, eighteenth and nineteenth centuries.

B. PRINTED BOOKS (Dept of Printed Books).

The books and pamphlets are of varied interest, but special attention may be drawn to some early Welsh almanacs, particularly to three published by Thomas Jones (of London, afterwards of Shrewsbury) who was himself the first to issue Welsh almanacs, beginning with one for 1680. No copy of this is known to the National Library; copies of the 1681, 1683, and 1698 issues are in the 'Nefydd' collection; these will now join other rare issues which came from the library of the late Principal J. H. Davies. The 'Nefydd' library also has the almanacs of John Rhydderch for 1734, 1735 and 1736, and those of Matthew Williams for 1788-1811.

There are also several items relating to or by 'Nefydd', including an appeal for funds for the building of a new Baptist chapel at Blaina; an appeal for subscriptions towards a national testimonial to 'Nefydd' in recognition of his work as superintendent of the British and Foreign School Society, 1865; reports of the British Schools at Abertillery, 1866, and Neath, 1858; and a copy of the sale catalogue of 'Nefydd's' library, 1873.

Among other interesting items mention may be made of the following:-

1. Marwnad neu dduwiol goffadwriaeth am Daniel Thomas, by Ebenezer Jones. Printed at Trefecca, 1791, and not previously in the Library.

2. Baptist Association General Letter, 1763. The meeting was held at Tiverton, and among the churches mentioned is the Baptist Church in Pontypool. The letter is signed by John Tommas, Moderator.

3. Dwy farw-nad (I) Amy Parchedig Evan Williams, Bala (II) Amy Parchedig Rees Harries, Pwllheli, . . . gan William Hughes. Printed at Trefriw, probably about 1789.

4. Taflen rhifyddol mewn amryw iaithoedd . . . gan 'Caerwyson' (i.e. T. P. Edwards) consisting of two publications in a cloth case:-

I. A single card with numeration table in four foreign languages, with Welsh tables on the reverse.

II. A four-page pamphlet entitled Yr Arweinydd Rhifyddol.

Printed by Hughes & Son, Wrexham, 1865.

Mynegai

Llanelwy, Sir Fflint, Glyndyfrdwy, Lerpwl, Llundain, Amwythig, Blaenau Gwent, Aberteleri, Castell-Nedd, Trefeca (Talgarth), Pont-y-pwl, Wrecsam.

Nodiadau

Schedule Available

TIMOTHY LEWIS

1931037

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr Timothy Lewis, Aberystwyth.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynnyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

1. The original manuscripts of two articles, contributed by the donor to Aberystwyth Studies, on "St. Cadvan's Stone, Towyn" (NLW MS 6879B), and "The Evolution of the Welsh Home" (NLW MS 6880E).

2. A typescript copy of a part of "Llyfr Gwyn Rhydderch" as published by Dr Gwenogvryn Evans (NLW Amryw Loose Volumes 36).

3. Manuscript copy of the donor's review, in Zeitschrift für Ortsnamenforschung, 1930, of Enwau Lleoedd Sir Gaernarfon by Professor J. Lloyd Jones, Dublin (NLW MS 6749C).

Mynegai

Tywyn, Dulyn, Caernarvonshire.

LIVERPOOL LIBRARIES

1931038

Ffynhonnell / Source

Liverpool Public Libraries Committee.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynnyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Forty-two documents (1602-1900) including deeds relating to the estates of the Burchinsha family in Llansannan and elsewhere in co. Denbigh, a site adjoining St. Winifred's Well, Holywell, the Coedmadog slate quarries in the parish of Llanllyfni, co. Caernarvon, and the Tremadoc estate; writs for the recovery of debts directed to the sheriff of co. Caernarvon; and debtors' petitions and schedules submitted to the County Court held at Portmadoc.

Mynegai

Sir Ddinbych, Porthmadog.

Nodiadau

Schedule Available

LLANFAIR JUXTA HARLECH OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

1931039

Ffynhonnell / Source

Llanfair juxta Harlech Parish Council, per Captain John Evans, Llanfair.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynnyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

In Appendix II of the last Report was recorded the gift by the Parish Council of two volumes containing records of the churchwardens and overseers of the poor of the parish, covering 1700-1813 and 1802-53 respectively. The Council has since presented a third volume, containing accounts of overseers of the poor for 1814-61 (NLW MS 3130B).

LLOYDS BANK LTD

1931040

Ffynhonnell / Source

Lloyds Bank, Limited.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

'Twixt Lombard Street and Cornhill, designed, written and illustrated by the staff of the bank, prepared to mark the occasion of the opening of the head and city offices (Dept of Printed Books).

The work has illuminated borders in various colours and full page illustrations depicting scenes in the history and development of English commerce.

LONDON SCHOOL OF PRINTING AND KINDRED ARTS

1931041

Ffynhonnell / Source

London School of Printing and Kindred Arts, per Mr J R Riddell.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Some of the publications of the school, including five volumes of the Year Book and a number of pamphlets descriptive of interesting events at Stationers' Hall. All are fine examples of modern typography (Dept of Printed Books).

BIBLE

1931042

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mrs Milnes, Dartford, Kent, per Mr J B Willans.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Biblia Sacra Polyglotta, by Samuel Lee. 2 vols. folio. [1831] (Dept of Printed Books).

The most inclusive polyglot Bible published since 1822, containing the Old and New Testaments in eight languages with the Samaritan Pentateuch and the Syria New Testament added in an appendix.

THE MISSES MORGAN

1931043

Ffynhonnell / Source

The Misses Morgan, Nantcaerio, Nr. Aberystwyth.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

1. A coloured lithograph (Dept of Pictures and Maps).

Fores's Coaching Recollections, III. "Pulling up to unskid". The Gloucester-Hereford-Carmarthen-Aberystwyth Mail coach. Printed by C. C. Henderson. Engraved by J. Harris. London: Published January 2, 1843, by Messrs. Fores, 41 Piccadilly.

2. A coloured lithograph (Dept of Pictures and Maps).

"Aberystwyth in Cardiganshire". View showing Capel y Groes, c. 1785-1819.

3. A coloured photograph of Aberystwyth sea front and pier before the promenade was built (Dept of Pictures and Maps).

Mynegai

Caerloyw, Henffordd, Caerfyrddin, Sir Aberteifi.

KATHLEEN BLACKER MORGAN

1931044

Ffynhonnell / Source

Miss Kathleen Blacker Morgan, Croydon.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

1. Over seventy deeds, documents and letters with counsels' opinions, ranging from 1671 to 1922, relating to properties in cos. Down, Cavan and Wicklow, and to the estate of Joseph Dickson of Dublin (NLW Misc Documents, Ireland).

2. A portrait of Sir Everard Digby (1578-1606), one of the conspirators in the Gunpowder Plot of 1605, and father of the eminent diplomatist, naval commander and author, Sir Kenelm Digby, some of whose manuscripts are in the National Library. It is interesting to note that the families of Glynn of Hawarden and Wynne of Peniarth are descendants of Sir Everard Digby.

The portrait is a copy of the original at Peniarth (Dept of Pictures and Maps).

Mynegai

Penarlâg.

Nodiadau

Schedule Available, Miscellaneous III.

DAFYDD ELLIS, CRICIETH

1931045

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr R Jones Morris, Talsarnau.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

A sermon in Welsh, dated October, 1791, by and in the autograph of Dafydd Ellis, Cricieth (NLW MS 6758B).

Mynegai

Cricieth.

LIVERPOOL CAMBRIAN SOCIETY

1931046

Ffynhonnell / Source

Miss S Owen, Oxton, Cheshire, per Professor W Garmon Jones.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Papers and press-cuttings relating to various activities of the 'Liverpool-Welsh' during the middle of the last century, including the Liverpool Cambrian Society, and Welsh Bardic Congresses held in Liverpool (NLW MSS 2225B, 2226E).

Mynegai

Lerpwl.

W D PHILLIPS

1931047

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr W D Phillips, Aberdare.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Fifteen deeds, eight relating to property at Deep Dean in the parish of Walford, co. Hereford, from 1799 to 1816, and seven relating to properties at Penheolferthyr in the parish of Merthyr Tydfil, from 1788 to 1859.

Mynegai

Merthyr Tudful.

Nodiadau

Schedule Available

WELSH CALVINISTIC METHODIST FOREIGN MISSION

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1931048

Ffynhonnell / Source

The Presbyterian Church of Wales Foreign Mission.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Thirty books and pamphlets in Lushai, some printed at Aijal for the Welsh CM Foreign Mission, and others published at Calcutta by the British and Foreign Bible Society, including commentaries on various books of the New Testament, translations of Genesis and the Psalms, a Lushai primer, and arithmetical, geographical and historical works (Dept of Printed Books). This is the third collection of missionary works recently received by the Library. The first, also a Lushai collection, was presented some years ago by Sir J. Herbert Lewis, and the second, comprising works in Khasi, was presented last year by the donors of the present gift.

Mynegai

India.

R READ, ABERYSTWYTH

1931049

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr R Read, Aberystwyth.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

An interesting group of leaflets, pamphlets and booklets, all printed at the Cambrian News, Ltd., from the time when the late Sir John Gibson was owner and editor of the newspaper. Many of them are of local interest (Dept of Printed Books).

MUSIC

1931050

Ffynhonnell / Source

Miss Maglona M Rees, Carmarthen.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

A small volume of manuscript music and three printed books (Dept of Printed Books).

The manuscript contains psalms, chants, anthems and hymn-tunes, with printed notes on "The Scale of Music". On the fly-leaf are the names 'Mr Jas. Ansdell', and 'William Williams his singing book, July 20th 1788' (NLW MS 6731A).

NEW TESTAMENT

1931051

Ffynhonnell / Source

T Ifor Rees, British Consulate, Bilbao, Spain.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Itun Beria. Bilbao, 1931.

A copy of The New Testament in Basque, specially bound and lettered for the National Library in Spanish calf, gilt edges (Dept of Printed Books).

This is the first time the whole of the New Testament has been translated into the Basque of Spain, although three editions in the Basque of France have been published.

M THOMAS (MAT'R DDOL')

1931052

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr David Reynolds, Wallasey.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

1. A typescript copy of a collection of recipes of typical old Welsh foods, compiled in Welsh by Miss M. Thomas ('Mati'r Ddol'), of Nanernis, New Quay, Cardiganshire. The work took a prize at the National Eisteddfod at Treorchy in 1928. An index and a glossary of terms used have been added by the donor (NLW MS 6973D).

2. Portrait of the Rev. John Thomas, DD, formerly pastor of the Tabernacle Congregational Church, Liverpool (Dept of Pictures and Maps).

Mynegai

Ceinewydd, Treorci, Lerpwl.

BANK NOTES

1931053

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr G H Richardes, Victoria, Australia.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Two bank-notes, dated 1813 and 1814, of the Aberystwyth and Tregaron Bank, popularly known as 'Banc y Ddafad Ddu' (Dept of Pictures and Maps).

Mynegai

Caron-is-clawdd.

JOHN ROBERTS ('IEUAN GWYLLT')

1931054

Ffynhonnell / Source

Professor R H Richards, Lampeter.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Two autograph letters written to the Rev. John Roberts, 'Ieuan Gwyllt', one by Dr Lewis Edwards, Bala, in 1853, and the other by the Rev. David Charles, Carmarthen, in 1867 (NLW MS 2340C).

Mynegai

Caerfyrddin.

TIMOTHY RICHARDS

1931055

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr Timothy Richards, Lampeter.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

An essay on "Lle Cerddoriaeth yng ngwasanaeth y Cysegr" (NLW MS 6725B), and a story based on the wedding customs of Cardiganshire c. 1850 (NLW MS 3207B), both being by and in the autograph of the donor. The story took a prize at the Tregaron Eisteddfod, August 5, 1914.

Mynegai

Sir Aberteifi.

'TALHAIARN'; JOSEPH ANGUS

1931056

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr E Roberts, Wrexham.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

1. Three volumes of the works of Talhaiarn (printed), Vol. II containing the autograph of the author (Dept of Printed Books).

2. Llaw-lyfr y Beibl: neu, arweiniad i fyfyrddod o'r ysgrythyrau sanctaidd, gan Joseph Angus.

Cyf. gan J. R. Morgan. Wrexham: Hughes & Son, 1860 (Dept of Printed Books).

An example of Welsh bookbinding by Hughes & Son, Wrexham. Bound in full dark green morocco, gilt lined and gilt tooled in a conventional design, dentelles gilt tooled, gilt edged.

Mynegai

Wreccsam.

WILLIAM ROBERTS ('NEFYDD')

1931057

Ffynhonnell / Source

Miss L Roberts, Muswell Hill, London.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Manuscripts of William Roberts, 'Nefydd', supplementing those presented by Mr Caleb Lewis (NLW MSS 7176-89).

Amongst these are "Hanes dechreuad Mari Lwyd" (NLW MS 7178B) and the essay on "Derwyddiaeth" (NLW MS 7179D) by and the autograph of 'Nefydd', as well as notes for addresses and lectures by him. There are over 200 autograph letters, written mainly to 'Nefydd' from Robert Ellis, 'Cynddelw'; 'Ceiriog'; J. Spinther James; John Jones, 'Talhaiarn'; John Jones, 'Tegid'; Lady Llanover; Edward Roberts, 'Torwerth Glan Aled'; John Thomas, 'Eifionydd'; John Thomas, 'Pencerdd Gwalia'; William Williams, 'Creuddynfab'; and others.

The donor is a grand-daughter of 'Nefydd'.

Nodiadau

Schedule Available

ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

1931058

Ffynhonnell / Source

Royal Agricultural Society.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

As in former years, the Royal Agricultural Society has presented a large number of agricultural periodicals, mostly foreign. The value of these continued gifts from the Society can hardly be over-estimated, as it is most unlikely that the Library could afford to purchase such an extensive range of foreign periodical publications upon agriculture and kindred subjects (Dept of Printed Books).

HENRY ALKEN

1931059

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr C F G R Schwerdt, Alresford.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

One of 400 copies, privately printed by the donor, of a reproduction of the prints in A Panorama of the progress of human nature: exhibiting the manners, costume, amusements and the field sports of the English people, by Henry Alken, which was published in 1820 (Dept of Printed Books).

BRITISH AND AMERICAN PECUNIARY CLAIMS ARBITRATION

1931060

Ffynhonnell / Source

Secretary of State, Foreign Office.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Documents printed in connection with the British and American Pecuniary Claims Arbitration under the agreement of August 18, 1910. The documents relate to twenty-five cases submitted for arbitration (Dept of Printed Books).

DR G ARBOUR STEPHENS

1931061

Ffynhonnell / Source

Dr G Arbour Stephens, Swansea.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

1. The typescript text of four talks on "Llangwryfon, or St Ursula in Wales". These talks were broadcast from the Cardiff and Swansea stations of the BBC.
2. "Carmarthen", a historical episode in three acts written by G. Arbour Stephens. This play was broadcast from Cardiff (NLW MS 6704D).
3. A series of articles written by the donor as Medical Correspondent of the Western Mail (Dept of Printed Books).

Mynegai

Caerdydd.

CHARM

1931062

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr C B C Storey, Glyn Ceiriog.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

1. An interesting addition to the Library's collection of charms against witchcraft. This specimen was discovered, during the partial demolition of the old farmhouse of Gelli Bach, Glyn Ceiriog, inside a child's stocking made into a long mitten, which was itself wrapped in a piece of printed material and placed under the main beam of the house. The charm bears no date, but probably belongs to the nineteenth century. It is written in English, but it also contains unusual as well as some of the usual cabalistic terms (NLW MS 6746C).
2. The State of the prisons in England and Wales . . . by John Howard, Warrington, 1777. The half-title is stamped "Samuel Wilding, Goaler, Salop, 1777" (Dept of Printed Books).

PAMPHLETS

1931063

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr A R Taylour, Kensington, London.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

A volume of seventeenth-century pamphlets, containing:- (Dept of Printed Books)

1. Copies of two papers written by King Charles II, together with a copy of a paper written by the Duchess of York. London: Printed by H. Hills, 1686.
2. An answer [by E. Stillingfleet] to some papers...concerning the authority of the Catholick church...London: R. Chiswel, 1686.

3. A defence of the papers, written by the late King . . . and the Duchess of York [by John Dryden]. London: Printed by H. Hills, 1686.
4. A reply to the answer made upon the three royal papers. London: M. Turner, 1686.
5. A vindication [by E. Stillingfleet] of the answer to some late papers . . . London: R. Chiswell, 1687.
6. A discourse concerning a judge of controversies in matters of religion [by William Sherlock]. London: R. Clavell, 1686.
7. The pillar and ground of truth: a treatise [by S. Patrick]. London: R. Chiswell, 1687.

SIR D LLEUFER THOMAS

1931064

Ffynhonnell / Source

Sir D Lleufer Thomas, Whitchurch, Glam.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

A very interesting volume of tracts, bound in calf, and lettered on the spine "Evans Tracts, T.D.LL." (Dept of Printed Books?).

The donor has written an account of the volume in The Journal of the Welsh Bibliographical Society, July 1931.

Briefly, it consists of ten works of which Thomas Evans, 'Tomos Glyn Cothi', was the author, translator or editor. A list of the contents of the volume has been written by Thomas Evans on the blank page facing the title page.

SPANISH BALLADS

1931065

Ffynhonnell / Source

Dr Henry Thomas, the British Museum (presented through the Friends of the National Libraries).

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Thirteen Spanish Ballads, printed in Burgos, 1516-17, now in the British Museum. Edited by Henry Thomas. Barcelona, 1931. Three editions, with introductions in English, Spanish and Catalan respectively (Dept of Printed Books).

Mynegai

Yr Amgueddfa Brydeinig.

THE IMPERIAL FAMILY BIBLE

1931066

Ffynhonnell / Source

The Reverend John Thomas, Aberystwyth.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

The Imperial Family Bible . . . illustrated by a series of engravings. 3 vols. Glasgow, Blackie & Sons, 1844. Folio, containing thirty-nine steel engravings (Dept of Pictures and Maps).

`SR', LLANBRYNMAIR

1931067

Ffynhonnell / Source

The Reverend J Luther Thomas, Cwmafon, Port Talbot.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

1. Miscellaneous manuscripts relating to 'SR' (the Rev. Samuel Roberts, Llanbryn-mair, 1800-85). They include English and Welsh sermons in the autograph of 'SR', and letters to and from him, several of which relate to the printing of his works in America (NLW MSS 3265D, 3266C, 3268B).
 2. The Certificate of Ordination of the Rev. Caleb Williams, September 23, 1873, and his call to the pastorate of Horeb Congregational Church, Dwygyfylchi (NLW MS 3267E).
- Mynegai
Llanbryn-mair, Llanyddwygyfylchi.

M M THOMAS, CARDIGAN

1931068

Ffynhonnell / Source

Miss M M Thomas, Cardigan.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynnyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

An agreement, March 25, 1819, whereby the period of apprenticeship of Isaac Thomas to Evan Jones of Carmarthen, printer, is reduced from seven to five years (NLW Misc Documents, Cardiganshire). Some years ago, Mr Thomas, grandson of the founder of the printing business of the Tivyside Advertiser, Cardigan, presented to the Library the printers' files which a printing office is required by law to keep. The files range from 1825 to 1865. Miss M. M. Thomas, the present head of the firm, has since presented several more files. The papers will, in due course, be cleaned and sorted, but a preliminary investigation shows that these later gifts are a valuable addition to the documents illustrative of the social, religious and political life of Wales during the early part of the nineteenth century (Dept of Printed Books).

Mynegai

Caerfyrddin.

HENRY E HUNTINGTON

1931069

Ffynhonnell / Source

Trustees of the Henry E Huntington Library and Art Gallery, San Marino, California.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynnyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

1. The Laws and Liberties of Massachusetts (Dept of Printed Books).
Re-printed from a copy of the 1648 edition in the Henry E. Huntington Library. 1929.
2. Shakespeare's Hamlet: the first quarto, 1603 (Dept of Printed Books).
Reproduced in facsimile from the copy in the Henry E. Huntington Library. 1931.
3. Plutarch's Quyet of Mynde, translated by Thomas Wyat (Dept of Printed Books).
Reproduced in facsimile from the copy in the Henry E. Huntington Library.

Mynegai

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WELSH PONY AND COB STUD BOOK

1931070

Ffynhonnell / Source

The Welsh Pony and Cob Society, Wrexham.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynnyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

The Welsh pony and cob stud book, volumes I to XXIX (excepting volume XI), 1903-30, together with an index to volumes I-XVII (Dept of Printed Books).

D EMRYS WILLIAMS

1931071

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr D Emrys Williams, Aberystwyth.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Nine deeds, 1816-63, relating to shipping at Aberystwyth. They include an indenture of apprenticeship of David Evans of Aberystwyth to David Davies of the same, mariner, master of the sloop 'Providence', and several bills of sale of shares in the sloop 'Anna Maria' of Aberystwyth (NLW Misc Documents, Cardiganshire).

Nodiadau

Schedule Available, Miscellaneous III.

JOHN WILLIAMS ('IOAN MADOG')

1931072

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mrs J Williams, Portmadoc.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Manuscript poems of John Williams, 'Ioan Madog', together with eisteddfod programmes, press-cuttings and miscellanea relating to 'Ioan Madog', and autograph letters addressed to him, including two from 'Talhaiarn' (NLW MSS 6766B, 6767-8C, 6769-70B).

TORIEL WILLIAMS

1931073

Ffynhonnell / Source

The Reverend J Toriel Williams, Seven Sisters, Neath.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Further contributions of manuscript poetry of the donor's own composition, including a translation into Welsh of Hamlet, Act I, Scenes 1 and 2.

MERIONETH PLACE-NAMES

1931074

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr T Hevin Williams, Bala

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

A bibliography compiled by the donor in connection with his study of Merioneth place-names (NLW MS 6968D).

Mynegai

Sir Feirionnydd.

CHARLES BOOTH

1931075

Ffynhonnell / Source

Major The Reverend H Bagster Wilson, Edgbaston.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

The life and labour of the people in London (1880-90), by Charles Booth. London: Macmillan & Co., 1902 (Dept of Printed Books/Dept of Pictures and Maps).

A complete edition of this work in 18 volumes, including a portfolio of maps.

PIONEER AND LABOUR JOURNAL

1931076

Ffynhonnell / Source

The Woolwich Council of Social Service.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynnyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

The Pioneer and Labour Journal. A complete file of this paper for 1907-26 (Dept of Printed Books).

YALE UNIVERSITY

1931077

Ffynhonnell / Source

The Yale University Library.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynnyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Thirteen volumes of Yale University publications (Dept of Printed Books).

MOSTYN MS

1931078

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynnyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Among manuscripts and documents purchased are the following:-

A Mostyn manuscript containing two works in Latin (NLW MS 3020D):-

I. A Description of England.

II. A Genealogy of the Kings of England traced from Adam to Henry VIII. The genealogy includes many of the Welsh princes, with some particulars about their legendary achievements. 60 leaves. Folio. Paper. Written in two different hands of the late fifteenth and early sixteenth centuries. Russia binding, uniform with several volumes of the Mostyn collection of Welsh manuscripts already in the Library, and with the usual two Mostyn bookplates.

This manuscript bore the number 172 in the original Mostyn collection. It is briefly described in the Report of the Historical MSS Commission on the Mostyn collection.

JAMES WATT

1931079

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Forty-seven autograph letters of James Watt, the son of James Watt, the famous engineer, written to Robert Mylne, architect, engineer and geologist. They relate to engineering and railway matters, including a proposed Gloucester and Aberystwyth railway, and to alterations and re-building of Watt's house at Doldowlod, Radnorshire (NLW MS 6998C).

Mynegai

Caerloyw.

EVAN LEWIS MSS

1931080

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

A manuscript containing sixty-three folios of Welsh poetry, mostly 'carolau', by Lewis Robart, 'Llawelun Ddu Myrion', composed and written during 1844-6. On the flyleaf is this note, "Gwaith Lewis Robart, Gwasaneuthudd yn y Gorllwyn. Ei oed iw 23 Rhagfyr 1af. (1844)" NLW MS 6760B).

A manuscript, bound in leather, with printed prayers pasted on the inside of the cover; it contains miscellaneous Welsh poetry mostly by Lewis Roberts, written during 1847-51, and notes on the care of cattle. Loose in the volume are papers containing miscellaneous poetry of a later date (1864-78), also by Lewis Roberts (NLW MS 6761C).

A volume of manuscript music containing 170 folios of hymn-tunes and anthems, with an index to the first 150 folios. Formerly the property of Lewis Roberts, Pentreglas, Dolgelly, 'Marts 20, 1840' (NLW MS 6762A).

Three volumes of sermons by the Rev. Evan Lewis, Cilgwyn, 1826-9 and 1840-1 (NLW MSS 6763-5A).

Mynegai

Dolgellau.

JOHN GIBSON

1931081

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynnyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

A quarto album bound in half morocco containing a large number of autograph letters, bills, insurance policies, photographs, etc., 1853-69, and all connected with the exhibiting of John Gibson's statue 'The Tinted Venus' in the International Exhibition, 1862 (NLW MS 6757D). Most of the letters are to Mr and Mrs R. B. Preston, for whom the statue was executed.

'RHUDDENFAB' MSS

1931082

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynnyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Notebooks and miscellaneous papers of the late Lewis Jones, 'Rhuddenfab', Ruthin, a number of whose manuscripts the Library had previously acquired (NLW MSS 6975-6A, 6977E, 6978D).

Mynegai

Rhuthun.

LAMPETER POOR RATE BOOK; MUSIC

1931083

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynnyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

The Poor Rate Assessment Book for the parish of Lampeter, 1817-30 (NLW MS 6899D); and a small volume of religious verse in free metres, carols, etc. (NLW MS 6900A).

Mynegai

Llanbedr Pont Steffan.

SIR LEWIS MORRIS MSS

1931084

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynnyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Twenty-nine autograph letters to Sir Lewis Morris (NLW MS 6965B), and the original manuscript of his Epic of Hades (NLW MS 6964C).

EVAN EDWARDES MSS

1931085

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynnyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Collections of Welsh proverbs, and transcripts of the parish registers of Llangeitho, Nantcwnlle and Trefeglwys, compiled by the late Rev. Evan Edwardes, Aberystwyth (NLW MSS 6771-3B, 6774E, 6775-82D).

Mynegai

Nancwnlle.

DAFYDD JONES ('DAFYDD SION SIAMS')

1931086

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

A manuscript volume of poetry, in the autograph of and mainly by Dafydd Jones, 'Dafydd Siôn Siâms', Penrhyndeudraeth (NLW MS 10898B).

Mynegai

Deudraeth.

SHEEP EAR MARKS

1931087

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynnyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Four volumes of sheep ear-marks used in various Merioneth and Montgomeryshire parishes in the nineteenth century (NLW MSS 6889-91A, 6892B).

Mynegai

Sir Feirionnydd, Sir Drefaldwyn.

ARMORIAL BEARINGS OF SHROPSHIRE FAMILIES

1931088

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynnyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

A copy of Armorial Bearings of Shropshire Families, ed. W. A. Leighton, interleaved, with manuscript corrections, coats-of-arms and bookplates inserted (NLW MS 6755D).

Mynegai

Swydd Amwythig.

H IVOR JONES

1931089

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynnyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

"Hanes Anibyniaeth yn Sir Gaernarfon hyd y ddeunawfed ganrif", by H. Ivor Jones (NLW MS 6748C).

Mynegai

Caernarvonshire.

TRIAL OF THE BISHOP OF LINCOLN

1931090

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynnyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

A contemporary account of the Trial of the Bishop of Lincoln, 1637.

GRANT OF QUEEN ELIZABETH

1931091

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

A grant of Queen Elizabeth to the Cardiff Cordwainers' and Glovers' Guild, 1589, with an impression of the Great Seal attached (NLW Deeds 857).

Mynegai

Caerdydd.

HADNOCK

1931092

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Over forty deeds (1641-1775) relating to Hadnock Farm, the rectory of Dixon, and other properties in the parishes of Dixon, Raglan and Llandenny, co. Monmouth.

Mynegai

Dixton, Rhaglan, Llandenni (Mathenni).

Nodiadau

Schedule Available, Miscellaneous III.

BERNARD HALLIDAY

1931093

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Nine deeds and other documents (1575-1686) relating to lands and mines within the lordship of Denbigh, a genealogy of the family of Sir William Meredith of Stansty, co. Denbigh, and the marriage agreement (1647) of Sir John Meyricke of Mouncton, co. Pembroke, and Dame Jane Wyche.

Mynegai

Dinbych.

Nodiadau

Schedule Available, Miscellaneous II.

DEEDS

1931094

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Two deeds, one a thirteenth-century grant of a 'warth' adjoining the river Reempni; the other a concord made in 1487 by William Flemynge and Jankyne Gelez touching the 'inconvenience' that was betwixt John ap Thomas ap Rogger Vaughane and his kin, and the kindred of Thomas Nycholl of Seynt Tathane, who was slain by great 'unfortune' by the said John.

`SR', LLANBRYNMAIR

1931095

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Reference has already been made to the donation of some of the manuscripts and papers of Samuel Roberts, 'SR'. The Library has also purchased from a descendant of his brother, 'Gruffydd Rhisiart', some of his personalia, including an inscribed gold watch presented to him on his departure from Llanbrynmair for Tennessee, an illuminated address presented in connection with the national testimonial on his return from Tennessee, four silver medals won by him at various eisteddfodau, an old-fashioned letter balance, and a bone note-book (Dept of Pictures and Maps).

Mynegai

Llanbryn-mair, Unol Daleithiau, USA.

ALMANACS

1931096

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Among a large number of printed books acquired by purchase during the year, the most interesting are:-

A complete copy of the Welsh Almanac by John Jones of Caeau, nr. Wrexham, for the year 1721. The first almanac by John Jones was published for the year 1702. This is the 20th issue. The Library possesses incomplete copies for the years 1709, 1710, 1711, 1714, 1724, 1728, 1729, 1736, 1737, 1739 and 1742, and a complete copy for 1735 (Dept of Printed Books).

An incomplete copy of John Rhydderch's Welsh Almanac for 1722, the seventh year of issue. The Library now has incomplete copies for the years 1725, 1726, and complete copies for 1729, 1734, 1735 and 1736 (Dept of Printed Books).

Mynegai

Wrecsam.

SIR JAMES WEEKS SZLUMPER

1931097

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

A collection (brought together by the late Sir James Weeks Szlumper) of Parliamentary papers relating to railways in England and Wales (NLW MSS 9241-2D, 9243-5E, 9246-7D).

The material ranges over the period 1878 to 1899, and includes particulars of local railways constructed or proposed in that period. The collection also contains two ordnance maps, in continuous length, one showing the proposed railway from London to Swansea and its connections, and the other showing the proposed railway from London to Cardiff and its connections. The remainder of the collection relates to railways in Southern England (including London), in the promotion of which Sir James was actively concerned.

At the time of his death, October 27, 1926, Sir James was probably the oldest member of the Institute of Civil Engineers. He served his articles with a London firm of engineers, and in 1853 was appointed surveyor to the county of Cardigan. He served in this capacity for twenty-five years. For some time he acted as deputy engineer of the Manchester and Milford Railway, and when that enterprise failed he secured the contract for the construction of the line from Aberystwyth to Carmarthen; later, he built the light railway from Aberystwyth to Devil's Bridge. His association with Mr David Davies of Llandinam, grand-father of the President of the National Library, began whilst the former was engaged in completing the railway line through Montgomeryshire, and as a result Sir James was given the work of constructing the Barry Railway. He subsequently made the Cardiff-Ogmore line and the Pontypridd, Caerphilly and Newport Railway.

Whilst he was engaged in railway construction in Wales, Sir James resided in Aberystwyth and took a prominent part in the public administration of the town. In 1875 he was placed on the Commission of Peace for the Borough, and was appointed High Sheriff of Cardiganshire in 1898. His interest in the affairs of the borough is evident in the fact that, apart from the books relating to railways, the most valuable volume in the collection acquired by the Library is a bound volume lettered on the back "Aberystwyth Local and Incorporated Acts, 1780-1874". This volume contains Acts of Parliament promoted by the town of Aberystwyth, such as the Acts of 1780 and 1836 relating to the Repairing, Enlarging and Preserving the Harbour of Aberystwyth, and Acts in which Aberystwyth as a municipal

borough is specifically mentioned, such as the Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Prisons, 1865.

Mynegai

Llundain, Sir Aberteifi, Manceinion, Aberdaugleddyf, Aberdaugleddau, Caerfyrddin, Pontarfynach, Sir Drefaldwyn, Barri, Caerdydd, Ogwr, Pont-y-pridd, Caerffili, Casnewydd.

Nodiadau

Schedule Available

THE HAGGADAH

1931098

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

The Haggadah. A new critical edition with English translation, introduction, and notes literary, historical, and archaeological, by C. Roth. With drawings by A. Rutherston (Dept of Printed Books).

The Haggadah, a popular collection of extracts of Talmudic lore bearing on the religious and moral conduct of every-day life, and recited by Jews as a liturgy at home during the Seder nights of the Passover, was, in the Middle Ages, frequently copied and illuminated with miniatures. Some of the surviving specimens are among the finest examples of Jewish mediaeval art. With the invention of printing, woodcuts took the place of miniatures. The present edition is an attempt to continue this tradition of finely produced Haggadahs. Text and translation are printed on opposite pages.

THUCYDIDES

1931099

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Thucydides; trans. into English by B. Jowett. Chelsea [London]: The Ashendene Press, 1930 (Dept of Printed Books).

Thucydides's History of the Peloponnesian War, translated by Benjamin Jowett, late Master of Balliol College, Oxford. One of 260 copies, full bound in white pigskin.

CODEX VERGILIANUS

1931100

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Codex Vergilianus qui Palatinus appellatur quem simillime expressus. Ad Vergili natalem celebrandum . . . Bibliotheca Vaticana contulit. Praefatus est R. Sabbadini; (Codices e Vaticanis Selecti. Vol XIV.) (Dept of Printed Books)

Produced in celebration of the bi-millenary of Virgil's birth. It consists of a facsimile on vellum of the famous Codex Palatinus of Virgil, formerly at Heidelberg, but now preserved in the Vatican. As majuscule manuscripts earlier than the end of the fifth century are not dated, the date of the Codex Palatinus cannot be definitely fixed, but it is usually given as fourth to fifth century. It ranks with the Codex Mediceus and Codex Romanus as one of the three most perfect extant manuscripts of Virgil.

CODEX WORMIANUS

1931101

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Codex Wormianus (The Younger Edda) MS. No. 242 fol. in the Arnemagnean Collection in the University Library of Copenhagen. With an introduction by Sigurur Nordal. Copenhagen: Levin and Munksgaard, 1931 (Dept of Printed Books).

Volume II of the Corpus Codicum Islandicorum Medii Aevi, to which the Library subscribes. It is a photolithographic facsimile of the Codex Wormianus written in the fourteenth century.

Mynegai
Denmark.

DIE WAPPENROLLE VON ZURICH

1931102

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Die Wappenrolle von Zurich: ein heraldisches Denkmal des vierzehnten Jahrhunderts in getreuer farbiger Nachbildung des Originals, mit den Wappen aus dem Hausa Zum Loch . . . Hrsg. von W. Merz. & F. Hegi. 40 plates (Dept of Printed Books).

A facsimile reproduction of the "Zurich Roll of Coat of Arms", the oldest painted roll extant of those drawn up within the borders of the Holy Roman Empire. In the introduction the editors discuss the origin and history of the roll, and its relations to contemporary and slightly later collections of arms.

TSRENTIUS: CODEX VATICANUS LATINUS

1931103

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Tsrentius: Codex Vaticanus Latinus 3868 picturis insignis. Ex auctoritate Procuratorum Bybliothecae Apostolicae Vaticanae phototypice editus. Praefatus est Guntherus Jachmann. Leipzig: Otto Harrassowitz, 1929 (Dept of Printed Books).

A photographic facsimile of the Terence manuscript usually referred to as C, the illustrations of which far excel those of the other two illustrated MSS of Terence that have come down to us. Here alone is preserved the rich colouring of the original. It is the joint work of two ninth-century monks of Westphalia, who, however, came from Picardy. The manuscript is, therefore, an example of the Carolingian art of Gaul.

THE TROANO CODEX

1931104

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

The Troano Codex. Facsimile reproduction. Published by the "Junta de Relaciones Culturales" of the Spanish Ministry for Foreign Affairs (Dept of Printed Books).

One of the four Maya hieratic manuscripts preserved in Europe - one at Dresden, one at Paris, and the other two, the Troano and the Cortesian, at Madrid. The Troano Codex, so called after its last personal owner, Don Juan de Tro y Ortolano, is thought to be a product of North Guatemala, and to contain traditional magic lore that is centuries older than its discovery by Europeans at the time of the Spanish conquest of Central America.

Mynegai
Spain, Sbaen.

W R FRANCIS

1931105

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr W R Francis, Swansea.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Eight deeds relating to property in the parish of Dymock, co. Gloucester, from 1656 to 1788 (NLW Minor Deposits, W R Francis).

E T JOHN

1931106

Ffynhonnell / Source

The Executors of the late Mr E T John.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

A large group of papers, consisting of files of correspondence, drafts and copies of speeches, press reports, press cuttings and pamphlets relating to the public activities of the late Mr E. T. John from 1910 to his death in February, 1931.

The papers include political correspondence and pamphlets belonging to the period during which Mr. John represented East Denbighshire in Parliament (1910-18); material relating to his political contests in Anglesey and Brecon and Radnor (1922-4); and papers representing his interest in education and agriculture in Wales, Home Rule for Ireland, Scotland, and Wales, the Union of Welsh Societies, the Pan-Celtic Congress and the Peace Society.

Mynegai

Sir Fôn, Brycheiniog a Maesyfed, Dwyrain Dinbych, Iwerddon, Yr Alban.

Nodiadau

Schedule Available

DOLOBRAN

1931107

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr T O Lloyd, Dolobran.

Blwyddyn / Year

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Disgrifiad / Description

Over 150 deeds ranging from 1731 to 1878, relating to Dolobran, Tyddynbrittain, Rhos y glasgoed, and other messuages in the parishes of Meifod and Llanfihangel, co. Montgomery.

The deeds date from the time of Charles Lloyd, third of the name to hold the Dolobran estate, and are records of mortgages, transfers of mortgages and creations of trusts, of the alienation of the estate from the Lloyd family to that of Joseph Jones, and of the repurchase in 1873 of a portion of the old estate (Dolobran Fach) by Henry Lloyd. Two documents dated 1878 refer to the acquisition of the other part of the estate by Sampson Samuel Lloyd, MP.

The part played by Dolobran in the history of the Quakers in co. Montgomery is reflected in six letters (1813-29) relating to transactions for the sale of the Quaker Meeting House and Burial Ground at Dolobran. Among the mortgagees of Forge Farm, part of the estate, from 1828 to his death in 1835, is Rev John Roberts of Diosg in the parish of Llanbryn-mair, and one of the items is a copy of his will.

Certain members of the Lloyd family were, as is well known, pioneers in the banking world, being the founders of Lloyds Bank.

Mynegai

Sir Drefaldwyn, Llanbryn-mair.

N Nodiadau

Converted to a donation May 1985. Schedule Available.

MERIONETH AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

1931108

Ffynhonnell / Source

Merioneth Agricultural Society per Mr J Morris Jones, Llanuwchllyn.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

Eight volumes containing minutes, accounts, and correspondence of the Society during 1875-1916 (NLW Minor Deposits 245-52B).

SOTHEBY

1931109

Ffynhonnell / Source

Mr A Sotheby, London.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

MANUSCRIPTS.

1. A sixteenth-century manuscript containing a medical treatise in Welsh, recipes, charms, and astrological fragments; an English treatise on urine, described as "liber Bened Veddig"; poetry, including a 'cywydd' by Ieuan Brydydd Hir (hynaf); "Llythyr Aresdotlys . . . o gadwedigaeth korff dyn ac [sic] gavas ynte yn hemyl yr havl . . . "; and the prologue to a work which is called Compod, 'oherwydd i vod ef yn comprehendio . . . Kompod Manuwel'. The manuscript belonged at one time to Hugh ap William ap Bened, and is afterwards described as "Llyfr Sion ap Huw ap Wiliam ap Bened ap Rys o Lan Lidan. 1616. yr xvi o Ionor".

2. A narrow folio manuscript described- 'Genealogies of Anglesey, &c., writ A.D. 1593 and 1596. Begins with ye Pedigree of Llewelin ap Hwlkin'. In addition to the genealogies, mostly of the maternal descent, it contains 'cywyddau' by Ieuan Tew Brydydd and Hugh Lloid (Cynfel), and a poem in free metre written in 1636.

3. A seventeenth-century manuscript in several hands, containing 'englynion', 'cywyddau', 'carolau', 'dyriau' and other poems in free metre in Welsh and English. The following are some of the poets represented:- Tudur Aled, Sion Tudyr, Gytto'r Glyn, John Brwynog, Thomas Powel, Robert ap Hugh Delyniawr, Rowland Vaughan, Hugh and John Kenricke, Syr Hugh David o Sir Henford, Syr Hugh Roberts, Robin Ddu, and Fickar Llanddyfri. Among the poems in free metre are:- "Ymddiddan rhwng Mr. John Gruffyth, Llanddyfnan a'i ewythr Richard Boulkley", which was published in CYMDEITHAS LLEN CYMRU, Vol. II, and another poem of a similar nature; and a copy of "Carol y wraig o Ganan" which differs slightly from that published in Vol. IV. of the same series.

4. A seventeenth-century manuscript containing memoranda relating to the Lloyd family of Llwydiarth, and poems and prose extracts in Welsh, English and Latin. The Welsh poems include 'cywyddau', 'englynion', 'dyriau', and ballads, by John Gruffydd, Hugh Bulkeley'r Gwydd, Robert Thomas, Evan Thomas, John Tudor and Fickar Llanymddyfri. One of the ballads commemorates the victory of the Dutch over the Spaniards in the Downs in 1639. Several of the poems were transcribed by Hugh Lloyd in 1670.

Five other manuscripts containing sermon notes, 1688-9, copies of letters patent and deeds relating to the lordship of Denbigh, documents relating to law suits for the possession of lands in Tyndryvol, Anglesey, 1563-96, a Welsh grammar entitled- An Introduction to the Brittish Tongue (Rhalgwybr Brithoneg), and a rental of Anglesey properties in 1814.

DEEDS

About 650 deeds, documents, and letters ranging from 1317 to 1761, and relating mainly to properties in Llanellian, Bodewryd, Llechcynfarwydd, Bodedern, Eiriannell, Llechylched, Mathavarn Wion, Ceirchiog, Tregadrod and several other places in the five cantrefs of Anglesey, together with some relating to properties in Caerfallwch, co. Flint, and in Chester. The Anglesey documents are mainly connected with the families of Wynne of Bodewryd, Owen of Penrhos Bradwen, and Lewis of Chwaen, and in addition to property deeds they include a few documents which throw light on the local administration of the county, and on the assessment of mizes and musters between 1596 and 1666.

PRINTED BOOKS (Dept of Printed Books).

1. Certayne Sersnons ap-poynted by the Quenes Maiestie . . . The title page and several leaves at the beginning are mutilated. Contains the autograph of John Price, Clerk.

2. Stichology: or, a Recovery of the Latin Greek and Hebrew numbers . . . By the Rev. Edward Manwaring. London . . . M.DCCXXXVII.

Mynegai

Dinbych, Sir Fôn, Llaneilian, Llechgynfarwy (Llangynfarwy, Llechcynfarwydd), Mathafarn Fechan, Caer, Llandyfri, Llandoverly.

Nodiadau

Schedule Available.

ABERYSTWYTH, UCW, SRC & SOCIETIES

1931110

Ffynhonnell / Source

The University College of Wales Aberystwyth Celtic Society, per Professor John Hughes, M.A.

Blwyddyn / Year

Adroddiad Blynyddol / Annual Report 1930-31

Disgrifiad / Description

A volume containing the minutes of the Society for 1922-7, to be added to two volumes, covering the years 1899-1912, deposited in 1928.

Nodiadau

Schedule Available