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**Ty Gwyn**  
Bryneglwys, Denbighshire



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HOUSE HISTORY RESEARCH  
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so far discovered

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Cover Photograph: supplied by Janet Tozer

# Ty Gwyn, Bryneglwys

## Building Description<sup>1</sup>

NPRN:35448

Map reference: SJ14NW

Grid reference: SJ1321 4711

**Site Description** 3-storey main block with rendered walls, slate roof and brick stacks. Three bay front with door to third bay and two sashes to the 1st and 2nd bays at ground floor level, three similar sashes to the first floor, and two gabled dormers to the first and third bays. 2-storey wing of similar design to the right with one sash to the ground floor and one gabled dormer above.

(Source: Site File DE/Domestic/SJ14NW)

[Addition:]<sup>2</sup> Ty-gwyn has two principal phases, clearly shown in the record photograph. A three-storey Georgian house of c. 1750 has been added to a downslope-sited late-medieval hall-house. The medieval house is of exceptional interest as a hall house of gentry type with substantial trusses and probably early trusses. Three smoke-blackened trusses survive defining the upper part of the hall and the inner-room of a gentry hall: the upper-end truss (cruck); the dais partition (box-framed), and the central open truss of the hall (cruck). The trusses are all very substantial, the central cruck truss exceptionally so, and all have a king-strut rising from the collar. The central truss is arch-braced with a shaped king-strut with central half-round moulding. It is difficult to determine if the king strut moulding is medieval or not though it is smoke stained. If medieval, it relates to other non-cusped ornament, notably 'zig-zag' mouldings and the concave mouldings on high-status central trusses.

In a second phase a large fireplace was built against the central truss in the outer bay of the hall. The hall ceiling presumably dates from this phase. It is unclear if the post-and-panel partition dates from this or the earlier phase. The entry at this phase is unclear but it may have been from the cross-passage. The lower end of the range was probably demolished when the Georgian house was constructed and a new doorway created internally as the old house became a service range.

The Georgian house has a fine framed oak stair with slender turned balusters, square newel-posts, and hand-rail with residual grip. There is a near-perfect first-floor Georgian room with panelled dado and lugged fireplace surround.

The patterned tiled floor in the hall/kitchen may also be noted. This floor was apparently laid by Italian prisoners of war using Ruabon tiles.

## Latest Information

**1. A detailed Architectural survey was carried out in 2017 by Peter Thompson.**

Architectural Record: NRPN 35448 HWAR 17/03 February 2017. This can be found at:-

[www.discoveringgoldwelshhousesgroup.co.uk](http://www.discoveringgoldwelshhousesgroup.co.uk)

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1. Coflein.gov.uk - J Hill 18/08/2004

2. ibid. - R.F. Suggett/RCAHMW/Nov. 2017

## **2.Tree-Ring dating of Ty Gwyn - Report January 2018**

**Dr D. W. H. Miles FSA and Dr M. C. Bridge FSA Oxford Dendrochronology Laboratory**

Dendrochronology has identified two, or possibly three phases of construction: the primary phase of 1447, the screen of after 1520, and the inserted chimney stack and fireplace of 1578. It is possible that the screen might in fact be the same phase as the inserted stack, as would be the first floor, but further sampling would be required to confirm this assumption.

January 2018.

## Early Background History

### Bryneglwys

Not much is known of the origins of this small settlement. The name is an apposite one, literally meaning 'hill church', and is first documented in 1284 as **Breneglus**. In the Taxation of 1291 it was **Ecclia de Bryn Eglwys**.<sup>3</sup> On a map by Christopher Saxton dated 1579, it is shown as **Broynegloys** and on a 1646 map by Kupferdruck as **Breyneglois**. It is **Bryn-Eglwys** on an OS map of 1874, and then it emerges as **Bryneglwys** on an OS map of 1899.

The ancient parish comprised the townships of **Bodynwyddog**, **Bryntangor**, **Gwythina**, **Tre'rllan** and **Talybidwal**.

The land on which the house was built, was originally part of the commote of Iâl in the ancient Kingdom of Powys. Iâl contained the parishes of Llantysilio, Bryn Eglwys, Llandegla, Llanarmon and Llanferris.



**Mid 11<sup>th</sup> century** – The Lordship of Iâl was probably held by the Powys royal family until the middle of the 11<sup>th</sup> century when it was given to **Llewelyn Aurdorchog** (b.abt.1005), a penteulu (war-chief) of Gruffydd ap Llewelyn as a reward for his services.<sup>4</sup>

3. CPAT historic settlement survey 2014 p.15

4. Appendix 1 – The Lordship of Iâl

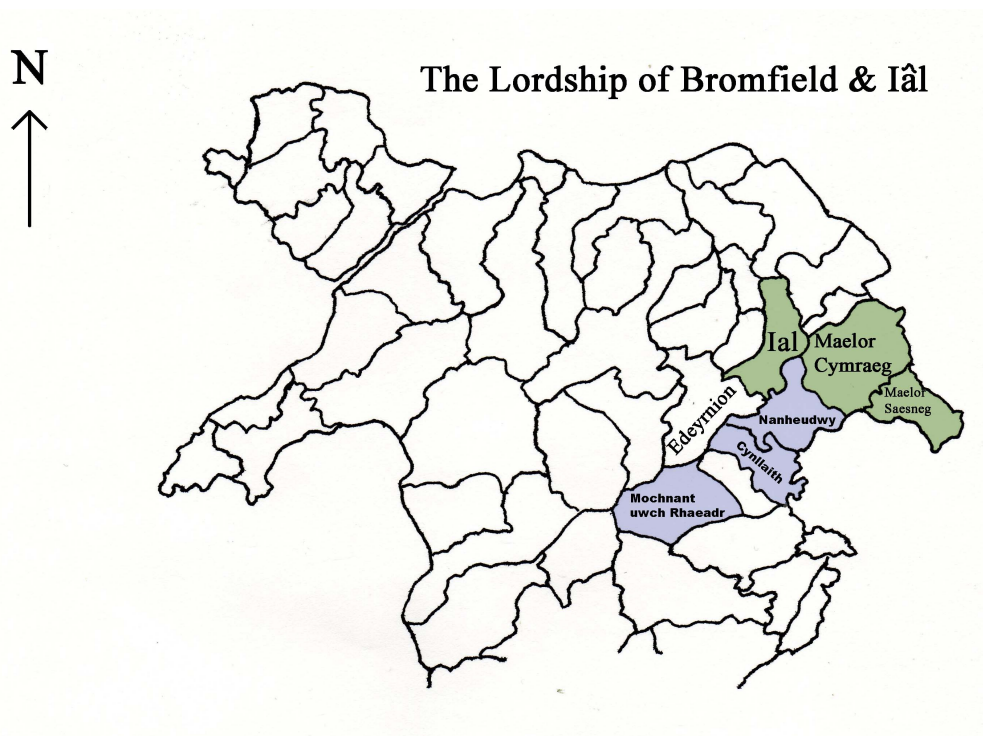


Llewelyn Audorchog's son and heir was **Llewelyn Fychan** (aka Llewelyn ap Dolffin) who was born about 1035. He married Annes vch Cadwgan and they had two sons and a daughter. Their eldest son, **Ithel Fychan** inherited the Lordship of Iâl from his father. Their daughter, **Heunydd** married Maredudd ap Bleddyn, prince of Powys. Their son, **Madog ap Maredudd**, was the last King of United Powys to be descended from Rhodri Mawr, King of Gwynedd, who had annexed Powys c.856. Rhodri Mawr was descended from Cunedda Wledig, progenitor of the house of Gwynedd.<sup>5</sup>

**1160** - After the death of Madog ap Maredudd, his kingdom was divided up between his surviving sons Gruffydd Maelor, Owain Fychan, his illegitimate son Owain Brongyntyn, his nephew Owain Cyfeiliog and his half-brother Iorwerth Goch.

**Gruffydd Maelor** received the Lordship of Maelor Cymraeg (Bromfield), Maelor Saesneg (the English market).

Ithel ap Llewelyn, Lord of Iâl had a son called Hwfa who inherited his fathers lands and title. He married Elen/Alswyn vch Gruffydd ap Cynan, King of Gwynedd. They had at least six children. Their second son, Ithel "y wyrion" aka Y Gwion, who inherited the Lordship of Iâl from his older brother, Caswallon, lost it in battle to his relative, Gruffydd Maelor, who consequently became the Lord of Bromfield and Iâl.



Gruffydd Maelor's son, Madog ap Gruffydd Maelor, consolidated his father's possession. The territory he ruled became known as Powys Fadog (*Madog*). He died in 1236.

**Gruffydd Maelor's** great grandson, **Gruffydd Fychan I** (son of Gruffudd ap Madog Lord of Dinas Bran and Prince of Powys Fadog d.1269), held the Lordships of Edeyrnion and Iâl. He paid homage to Llewelyn ap Gruffydd, Prince of Wales for Edeyrnion and in 1277 paid homage to Edward I for

5. Appendix 2 – The Royal House of Cunedda

Iâl. He fought with Llewelyn during the war in 1282-1283 and lost his lands when he was defeated in the early stages of the conflict.

Edward I then added Iâl to Shropshire and anglicised it as Yale. It remained Welsh in culture and retained Welsh laws and customs until the statute of Rhuddlan in 1284 imposed English law on the Welsh.

Gruffydd Fychan I eventually had his lands returned to him, but held '**of the king**' as a '**tenant at will**' for the rest of his life. This gave him no rights and so the lands could have been taken from him again at the whim of the king.

A grandson of Hwfa, **Ieuaf ap Howel Foel** of Cymo, is recorded in Powys Fadog as being the progenitor of the **Bryn Eglwys** families.<sup>6</sup> i.e. David Lloyd ap Rhys ap David ap Iolyn of Blaen Iâl, and Gruffydd ap Rhys ap David ap Gruffydd of Bryneglwys.

Gruffydd Fychan's great grandson, **Gruffydd Fychan II** became Baron of Glyndyfrdwy and Lord of Cynllaith Owain. He married Elen, daughter & co heiress of Thomas ap Llewelyn ap Owain, heir of the Sovereign Princes of South Wales. They had at least two sons, Owain Glyndŵr and **Tudur ap Gruffydd**.

**1362 – Tudur ap Gruffydd, Lord of Gwyddelwern** was born in 1362. He married Maud daughter & heiress of Ieuan ap Adda ap Hywel ap Ieuan ap Adda ap Awr of Trefor in Nanheudwy. Tudur was killed at Pwll Melyn in 1405 fighting on behalf of his brother, Owain Glyndŵr. Their sole daughter and heiress, **Lowri** married firstly Robert ap Robin ap Gruffudd Goch Lord of Rhos and secondly **Gruffudd ap Einion of Corsegedol**. The title **Lord of Gwyddelwern** passed to Gruffydd.

**1440** - Gruffydd ap Einion and his wife Lowri had a son named **Elisau** (b.1440)<sup>7</sup> who became **Baron of Gwyddelwern**. He is believed to have lived at Maerdu Mawr. Elisau married Margaret daughter and sole heiress of Jenkyn, of Allt Llwyn Dragon (later known as Plas yn Iâl), who was one of the sons of Ieuan ab Llewelyn ab Gruffydd Llwyd of Bodidris yn Iâl. Elisau and Margaret's eldest son, **David Lloyd**, inherited Allt Llwyn Dragon (**Plas yn Iâl**). They also had a son called **John Wynn of Bryntangor** in Bryneglwys; and another son, b.abt.1470 called **Richard**, who inherited **Maerdu Mawr**, Gwyddelwern.

**John Wynn** married Elizabeth Conway of Bodrhyddan. Their son, **Roger**, married Elen Salusbury. They had a son named **John Wynn** who had a son known as **John Rogers Wynn**, whose only daughter, **Magdalen**, inherited Bryntangor. She married Humphrey Hughes of Gwerclas and they had 17 children.

**Richard ap Elisau** married Gwen vch Ieuan ap Dafydd of Branas Issa. Their daughter, **Margred** married **Rhys ap Dafydd**, a descendant of Ieuaf ap Howell Foel.<sup>8</sup> Their son **David Lloyd** is recorded as of **Blaen Iâl**. He married Alice and they had four daughters, who were co-heiresses of Blaen Iâl. **Elizabeth** married **John Wynn** of Bryntangor. **Gwen** married **Hugh Lloyd** of Blaen Iâl.

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6. Powys Fadog Vol. 2 p.349

7. Appendix 3 - The Family of Elisau ap Gruffydd

8. Appendix 1 - The Lordship of Iâl

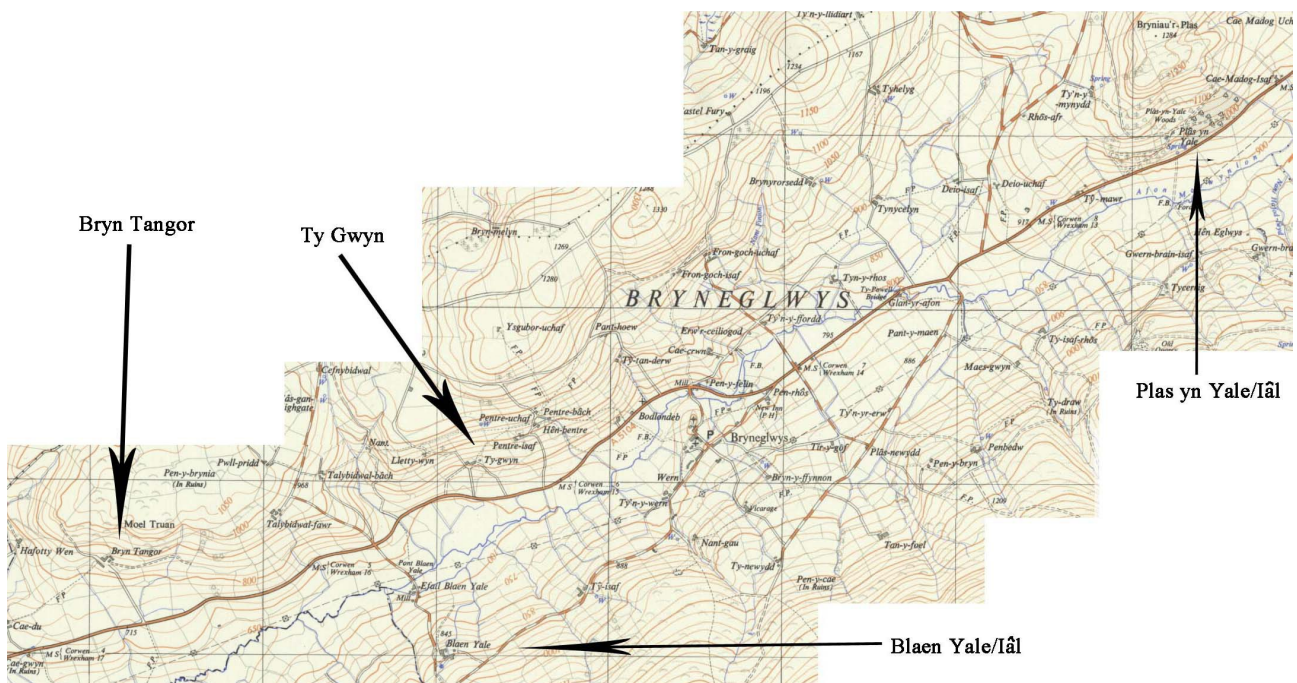


## The Building of Ty gwyn

The primary phase of the construction of Tygwyn has been dated to 1447; the screen to 1520 and the chimney stack and fireplace to 1574.

*Did Gruffydd ap Einion of Gwyddelwern perhaps build Ty Gwyn in 1447? (Appendix 3) or was it perhaps Ieuan ap Einion of Bryn Eglwys? (Appendix 1). Ieuan's great grandson Rhys ap Dafydd married Margred, great grand daughter of Gruffydd ap Einion.*

*It seems quite likely that someone connected to these two families was responsible for building the original hall house. The 'holders' of the nearby gentry houses called Plas Yn Iâl, Bryn Tangour and Blaen Iâl were also all from these families.*



OS map 1:25,000 1956

## 17<sup>th</sup> Century

**1696 - Edward Lhuyd (1660 - 1709)** a botanist, geologist, antiquary, and philologist, requested information from every parish in Wales in the form of a questionnaire about the natural history and antiquities of each area. He also made extracts from manuscripts, copied inscriptions, and collected curiosities. The replies were published as a book in 1699 called "Parochialia". In Denbighshire, 31 parishes replied.

**1699 - Edward Lhuyd's** correspondent at the end of the 17th century claimed that there were five houses by the church. The final survey lists 13 houses. **Tygwyn** is one of them but unfortunately the name of the owner is not given. **Plas yn Iâl** and **Bryntangor** are recorded as the most important properties in the parish.

### Bryn Eglwys

#### Houses of Note:

1. **Plâs y Iâl:** y ty ymma sy'n holi Bedh Tangwystli verch Ievaf ap Mredydh arw yn I Kappel nhw. Yperchennong ydiw D'd Il [ a minor].  
In later hand –this house challenges ye tomb of Tangwstli the daughter of Ieuaf ap Meredith Arw in their chappell. The owner is David Yale
2. **Bryn Tangor:** Mr Hugh Hughes – (*He was possibly the son of Thomas Hughes of Gwerclas & Bryn Tangor who married Dorothy d/o Thomas Yale of Plas yn Yale.*)<sup>9</sup>

#### Other houses:

3. Tan y Bidwel
4. Y Pant Hoyw
5. Ty'n y Wern
6. Ty Lla isa
7. Bryn yr orsedh
8. **Ty Gwyn**
9. Pentre
10. Ty'r Rhôs
11. Tyddy Deio
12. Kae Madog
13. Y Tŷ mawr

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9. Appendix 4 – The Hughes of Gwerclas

## 18<sup>th</sup> Century

The earliest extant records<sup>10</sup> (so far discovered), of an owner of Ty Gwyn is of **David Jones**, yeoman of the township of Talybidwell. He married in 1707. The documents are listed in a schedule of Deeds. The whereabouts of the original documents is not known.

*N.B. During this period, according to the Welsh legal custom people were described as 'of the township' in which they resided, and not by the name of the house in which they lived.*

### 1707 20<sup>th</sup> November - 6 Anne (6<sup>th</sup> year of the reign of Queen Anne)

1. **David Jones of Talybydwell**, yeoman
2. Humphrey Jones of Gwyddelwern, gent.  
Robert Evans of Bryneglwys, gent.  
John Edwards of Bryneglwys, gent.
3. Margaret verch Thomas of Gwyddelwern, widow

Settlement made previous to the marriage of David Jones & Margaret verch Evan. Margaret verch Thomas was almost certainly the mother of Margaret verch Evan.

**1710 16<sup>th</sup> September** – baptism of Margaret d/o David Jones and Margaret vch Evan in Bryneglwys church .

By 1724, David was describing himself as a 'gent.' of Bryneglwys.

### 1724 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>

Lease and Release indenture

1. Roger Jones of Erw'r Escob pa. St.Martins, Salop gent  
Margaret verch Thomas of Bryneglwys, widow
2. Thomas Humphreys of Maesgamedd, Gwyddelwern, gent.
3. **David Jones of Bryneglwys, gent.**

Absolute release and purchase & settlement of Cae Ithin bychan

*In 1732, he is named as “of Ty Gwyn”. Had he recently purchased the property? .... or was this simply a change in the way people were being identified.*

His eldest daughter and heiress, Margaret, was due to be married to David Vaughan of Voel.

### 1732 25<sup>th</sup> October

1. **David Jones of Tygwyn, gent.**  
**Margaret Jones** eldest dau & hrs of David Jones
2. John Jones of Wrexham, gent.  
John Pulford of Wrexham, gent.
3. Edward Wynne of Broomhall Salop, gent.  
Thomas Humphreys of Maesgamedd, Merioneth. gent.
4. **David Vaughan of Voel**

Deed of settlement in contemplation of the marriage of David Vaughan and Margaret Jones and to lead the uses of an intended recovery respecting **Ty Gwyn & Cae Ithin bychan estates**.

*This document seems to suggest that David Jones already owned Ty Gwyn before he purchased Cae Ithin bychan in 1724.*

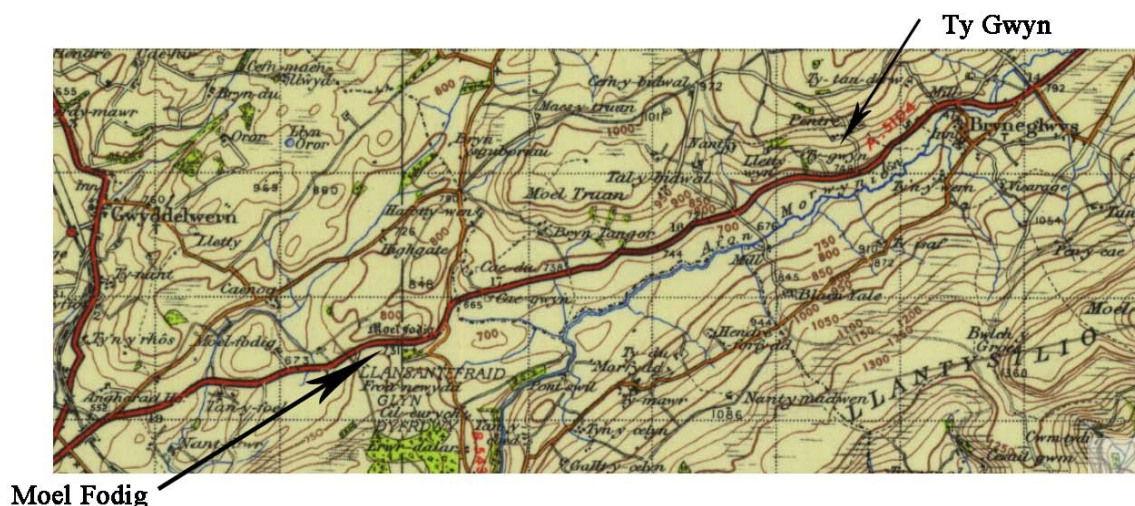
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10. NLW – Fronheulog Estate MSS no.245 – Schedule of Deeds belonging to the late Miss Vaughan of Ty Gwyn.

**1732 27<sup>th</sup> October** – **David Vaughan** married **Margaret Davies (aka Jones)** in Bryneglwys.<sup>11</sup> They had three children, William Vaughan Pugh, Edward Vaughan Pugh and Grace Vaughan. The two sons adopted an additional surname – that of their paternal grandmother.

### **The Vaughan Family**<sup>12</sup>

The Vaughan family lived at Moel Vodig, Trewyn township, Corwen. Edward's grandfather, **William Vaughan** of Moel Vodig/Fodig married Margaret Hughes of the Bryneglwys. Her father was **Evan Hughes of Blaen Iâl, Bryneglwys, gent.**



OS 1 inch map pub 1947 sheet 108

*It is assumed that Evan Hughes was a leaseholder of Blaen Iâl as at this point in time, it remained in the possession of the Lloyd family descended from Ieuaf ap Howel Foel. (see Appendix 1)*

*Could Evan Hughes perhaps have been a descendant of Humphrey Hughes of Gwerclas and Magdalen of Bryntangor?*

**William Vaughan** died in 1732 and left a will.<sup>13</sup>

**1732 2<sup>nd</sup> April** - Will of William Vaughan - Proved 1732

He named two Trustees:- Edward Wynne of Shropshire and David Ellis of Llwydiart, Llanfihangel, Montgomeryshire. He bequeathed his estate to his wife Margaret, as long as she remained his widow and did not remarry. In default of this, his son **David Vaughan** was to inherit Moel Vodig. He also left bequests to his daughter, Margaret and her husband John Lloyd of Caynog and their son John Lloyd.

**1733** – **David Vaughan** of Moel Vodig wrote his last will and testament soon after his marriage. Only his eldest son had been born by this time. David did not actually die until 15 years later.<sup>14</sup>

11. Ruthin Archives - Bryneglwys Parish Registers

12. Appendix 5 - The Vaughan Family of Moel Fodig

13. Appendix 6 - The Will of William Vaughan 1732

14. Appendix 7 – The Will of David Vaughan 1749

**1748 2<sup>nd</sup> April** – Burial David Vaughan (gent) in Bryneglwys.

**1749** - Probate was granted. David named three friends and relations as his Trustees - Robert Vaughan of Hengwrt esq., Maurice Lloyd of Pale gent., and Humphrey Pryce. He mentions his son William and the possibility that he might have other children at the time of his death. He also names his sister, Margaret Lloyd and her husband, John Lloyd and their son John Lloyd; and also his:-

*'present wife or any other wifes living at the time of my decease. .... and my wife's estate in Bryn Eglwys'.*

*The Vaughan family had acquired Ty Gwyn as a result of the marriage of David Vaughan and Margaret Jones. When David Vaughan died, his eldest son, William, presumably inherited Moel Vodig whilst his second son, Edward, inherited his mother's estate in Bryneglwys which included Ty Gwyn. Edward seems to have made the house his actual home.*

**1766 – Rev. Edward Vaughan Pugh**, clerk - the second son of David and Margaret Vaughan, was appointed High Sheriff for Merionethshire and is recorded as '**of Tygwyn**'.<sup>15</sup>

**1781 1<sup>st</sup> June** – Edward Vaughan Pugh was buried in Bryneglwys.

*It is assumed that the Ty Gwyn estate passed to his sister, Grace Vaughan, soon afterwards. She is named as 'of Bryneglwys' in four documents held in the Flintshire Archives.*

**1785 19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> February** <sup>16</sup>

1. Joseph Fluitt of Chester gent & Thomas Fluitt of Chester gent. his son
2. **Grace Vaughan of Tygwyn, Bryneglwys** co. Denbigh spinster
3. Martha Kenrick of Chester spinster

re. Capital Messuage called Nant Hendu with lands and appurtenances in Llanelidan, co. Denbigh

**1785 20<sup>th</sup> February** <sup>17</sup>

1. **Grace Vaughan of Bryneglwys** co. Denbigh spinster
2. Martha Kenrick of Chester spinster

re. Repayment of £350

**1787 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> July** <sup>18</sup>

1. Martha Kenrick of Chester spinster
2. **Grace Vaughan of Bryneglwys** co. Denbigh spinster
3. Hugh Roberts of Gwyddelwern Merioneth yeoman

re. Assignment to 3. of D/PG/111 (Mortgage in £350) of capital messuage called Nant Hendu with lands and appurtenances in Llanelidan, co. Denbigh.

Now £402

**1787 14<sup>th</sup> July** <sup>19</sup>

1. **Grace Vaughan of Bryneglwys** co. Denbigh spinster
2. Hugh Roberts of Gwyddelwern co. Merioneth yeoman

For repayment of £402

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15. Annals and Antiquities of the Counties and County families of Wales p. 693

16. Flintshire Archives - D/PG/111

17. *ibid.* - D/PG/112

18. *ibid.* - D/PG/113

19. *ibid.* - D/PG/114

**1793 Land Tax<sup>20</sup>****Ty Gwyn**

Proprietor: Miss Grace Vaughan

Occupier: herself

£2 .1s .8d

**1797 Land Tax<sup>21</sup>**

Proprietor: Miss Grace Vaughan

Occupier: herself

£2 .1s .8d

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20. Ruthin Archives ref. QSD/DK/1/10

21. *ibid.* ref. QSD/DK/1/10

## 19<sup>th</sup> Century

### 1807 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> July

Lease and Release<sup>22</sup>

1. **Grace Vaughan** of **Ty Gwyn** pa. Bryneglwys spinster only surviving daughter & heir at law of Margaret Vaughan late of Ty Gwyn widow, deceased.
2. John Hutchinson of Wrexham gent.
3. Rev. John Lloyd of Pale, Merioneth.

A Deed to make a tenant of the Precipe for suffering a Recovery of 2 messuages in Bryneglwys called Ty Gwyn & Cae Ithin bychan.

*The following document outlined in the Schedule of Deeds provides a description of those properties owned by Grace Vaughan.*

### 1807 7<sup>th</sup> August - 47 George 3 (47<sup>th</sup> year of the reign of George III)

Recovery suffered at the Great Sessions for Denbighshire wherein the said John Lloyd was Demandant; the said John Hutchinson tenant and the said Grace Vaughan vouchee in person of 2 messuages 2 tenements 2 barns 2 stables 2 gardens 2 orchards 30 acres of lands 10 acres of meadow and 10 acres of pasture and common of pasture for all manner of cattle and common of turbary with the appurtenances in the township of Talybidwell and in the parish of Bryneglwys in the co. of Denbigh.

*At some point prior to her death, Grace granted a tenancy for Ty Gwyn. It is not clear whether she continued to live in part of the house or whether she went to live elsewhere.*

The tenant was David Hughes and his wife Margaret. David Hughes died intestate in 1815.

### 1815 – Administration Bond

**David Hughes deceased of Ty Gwyn, Bryneglwys** – His widow Margaret Hughes was appointed his Administratrix.

*From 1814-1820, Grace was involved in a number of transactions regarding Ty Gwyn. Were her finances perhaps dwindling? Rev. John Lloyd, John Davies and Thomas Anwyl were Trustees of her estate. The whereabouts of the original documents is not known,*

### Abstract of Title – a summary<sup>23</sup>

**Jones to Evans – Documents handed over at the final stage of the transaction. (conveyance?)**

### 1814 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> March

1. Grace Vaughan of Ty Gwyn pa. of Bryneglwys spinster and heir to the one part
2. Rev. John Lloyd of Pale, Merionethshire  
John Davies of Fronheulog pa. Merioneth esq.  
Thomas Anwyl of Fron

A Release of estates in the co. of Merioneth and Denbigh in Trust & Sale or Mortgage and Pay incumbrances.

**1814 16<sup>th</sup> December** – Messrs. Holland & Miss Vaughan to Messrs. Davies & Anwyl - release

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22. NLW Fronheulog estate MSS no. 245 Schedule of Deeds

23. Ruthin Archives Papers re. Ty Gwyn, Nant & Lletty Wynn farms - ref.DD/DM/416/3



**1818 24<sup>th</sup> November**

Mortgage for 500 years from Miss Grace Vaughan to the Rev. John Lloyd of estates in the counties of Denbigh and Merioneth for securing £375 and interest.

**1819 3<sup>rd</sup> July** – Jno Lloyd & H.Davies & J. Jones & J. Davies copy agreement.

**1819 10<sup>th</sup> August** – Grace Vaughan – copy of confirmation of contract.

Valuation of Farms in pa. Of Bryneglwys & Corwen belonging to Grace Vaughan namely Ty Gwyn, Nant, Bryn Hir, Tydu and Ty Cerrig valued **17<sup>th</sup> August 1819** by Mr. Jebbs & Robert Roberts.<sup>24</sup>

**Ty Gwyn**

|                              |  |                         | A  | R | P  | £   | s  | d   |
|------------------------------|--|-------------------------|----|---|----|-----|----|-----|
| 26                           | Cae Caled  | pasture                 | 5  | 3 | 36 | 7   | 15 | 4   |
| 22                           | Cae Eithin isaf                                  | bailey                  | 4  | 3 | 24 | 5   | 7  | 11¼ |
| 20                           | Cae pen y ty                                     | grass                   | 4  | 1 | 4  | 4   | 5  | 6   |
| 35                           | Cae Llwyd  | grass v.good soil       | 4  | 2 | 33 | 8   | 4  | 8½  |
| 5                            | The Plantation above the house                   | fine young timber       | 2  | 2 | 0  | 0   | 12 | 6   |
| 5                            | Taillech   | “ in Mr.Phillip's field |    |   |    |     |    |     |
| 14                           | Gwasted faes fawr                                | oats, bleak & exposed   | 6  | 0 | 30 | 4   | 7  | 3¾  |
| 18                           | Gwasted faes canol - bitter lands & less exposed |                         | 3  | 3 | 19 | 3   | 8  | 9¾  |
| 25                           | Cottage & garden near the road from Lletty uchaf |                         | 0  | 0 | 27 | 1   | 5  | 0   |
| 10                           | An Allotment in the common/badly held down       |                         | 3  | 2 | 32 | 1   | 17 | 0   |
| 8                            | An Allotment badly managed in grass              |                         | 19 | 2 | 12 | 7   | 16 | 8   |
| 15                           | An Allotment very well managed & Welsh?          |                         | 13 | 3 | 15 | 10  | 7  | 7¾  |
| 8                            | An Allotment badly managed                       |                         | 14 | 0 | 26 | 5   | 13 | 8½  |
| 16                           | Gwalad uchaf rather bleak                        |                         | 4  | 2 | 27 | 3   | 13 | 8¼  |
| 15                           | Cae Eithin Uchaf rather bleak                    |                         | 4  | 2 | 27 | 3   | 0  | 6¾  |
| 42                           | Meadows  |                         | 19 | 1 | 35 | 40  | 9  | 5¼  |
|                              |  |                         |    |   |    | 120 | 6  | 6   |
|                              |  |                         |    |   |    |     |    |     |
| Timber upon the whole estate |  |                         |    |   |    | 300 | 0  | 0   |
|                              |  |                         |    |   |    |     |    |     |

N.B. A = acres; R = roods; P = perches

Valuation for the tenement called Nant in the holding of John Jones

|    |  |  | A | R | P  | £ | s  | d   |
|----|--|--|---|---|----|---|----|-----|
| 35 | Erw bach meadowland good sound soil        |  | 3 | 0 | 25 | 4 | 12 | 3   |
| 20 | Cae tan y ty very good arable land         |  | 2 | 1 | 33 | 3 | 8  | 9¼  |
| 26 | Erw Llwyn very good arable land            |  | 1 | 2 | 6  | 1 | 19 | 11½ |
| 26 | Erw Cefen y Ty very good arable land       |  | 1 | 0 | 22 | 1 | 9  | 6¾  |
| 35 | Cae Tan y Sgubor very good hay land        |  | 2 | 2 | 0  | 4 | 7  | 6   |
| 24 | Cae Newydd Isaf - arable                   |  | 2 | 1 | 0  | 2 | 14 | 0   |
| 5  | Rough in cae newydd isaf - fine young oaks |  | 0 | 2 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 6   |
| 20 | Cae newydd canol in barley                 |  | 2 | 1 | 32 | 2 | 9  | 0   |

24. NLW Fronheulog Estate MSS no.126

|       |   |   |   |    |   |    |      |
|-------|---|---|---|----|---|----|------|
| 20    | Cae newydd uchaf tidy in oats           | 2 | 3 | 20 | 2 | 17 | 6    |
| 5     | Rough in Cae newydd uchaf by the road   | 0 | 1 | 12 | 0 | 1  | 7½   |
| 14    | Erw cefen y ty – Ebb? Soil              | 1 | 0 | 22 | 0 | 15 | 11   |
| 12    | Fron - poor ebb soil                    | 2 | 3 | 0  | 1 | 13 | 0    |
| 7     | Frith Isaf in gorse                     | 4 | 1 | 26 | 1 | 10 | 9½   |
| 7     | Rough in Frith Isaf ought to be planted | 0 | 1 | 12 | 0 | 2  | 3¼   |
| 12    | Frith uchaf – rather in bad state of ?  | 4 | 2 | 14 | 2 | 15 | 0½   |
| 12    | An Allotment in the common              | 1 | 3 | 22 | 1 | 2  | 7½   |
| <hr/> |   |   |   |    |   |    |      |
|       |   |   |   |    |   | 32 | 1 3¾ |
| <hr/> |   |   |   |    |   |    |      |

Bryn Hir in the holding of John Jones

|       |   |    |   |    |    |    |      |
|-------|---|----|---|----|----|----|------|
| 12    | Formerly in one piece but in 3 pieces                   | 22 | 1 | 24 | 13 | 8  | 9½   |
| 10    | Allotment in pasture ..... the common<br>very good soil | 5  | 3 | 8  | 2  | 18 | 0    |
| <hr/> |   |    |   |    |    |    |      |
|       |   |    |   |    |    | 16 | 6 9½ |
| <hr/> |   |    |   |    |    |    |      |

Ty Cerrig & Tydu in Hendre Forfydd containing by a survey 172 acres 2 roods 30 perches.

89 acres 0 roods 20 perches of land allotted upon the common & bear no charge making in all 261 acres 3 roods 10 perches and all odd silver and pence to be allowed is consented by Mr Jebb & to R.Roberts on the 17 day of August 1819 at Bryn Eglwys.

Ty Cerrig Tydu      £155 9s 3¼d   at 25 years      value £3,875.0.0

**1820** – Grace Vaughan died aged 71 years old. She was buried in Bryneglwys on June 3<sup>rd</sup> 1820. Just prior to her death she had apparently asked the Rev. Robert Phillips clerk, vicar of Bettws to prepare her last will and testament. It was duly dictated to Robert Hughes who drew it up in writing.

**1820 25<sup>th</sup> May** – Will of Grace Vaughan. Probate was not granted until 12 years later. <sup>25</sup>

In her will, Grace Vaughan, began by saying that:-

*‘John Davies of Fronhaulog in the County of Merioneth & John Jones Tynddol ... are indebted to me in the sum of Twenty pounds’*

N.B. Both of these men are related to a later owner of the property.

After specifying bequests to her servant, the sisters of her grandfather (? *great grandfather*), Evan Hughes of Blaen Yale and Robert Hughes junior of Ty Isa, both in the parish of Llantysilio, she named two people who were to dispose of the remainder of her estate both personal and real.

*“I give and devise all my other estates and effects both personal and real to the Rev. John Lloyd of Pale and Hugh Davies esq. of Maesgamedd both in the County of Merioneth in Trust to manage and dispose of the same in the best and most advantageous manner they can and after paying my just debts.”*

25. Appendix 8 – Will of Grace Vaughan

The Will also specified that each should receive **two hundred pounds**:-

*'in consideration of the trouble that would be necessarily be imposed on them in settling her affairs'.*

The delay in granting Probate may have centred around this last bequest. The word **two** appeared to have been altered from **one**. The Testatrix was said to have wanted a legacy of one hundred pounds, to be left to her Executors. It was claimed that she changed her mind and wanted this to be increased to two hundred pounds to each of them. Accordingly, the word 'one' was erased and replaced by the word 'two'. Another witness agreed that the alteration had been done with the consent of the Testatrix. Probate was finally granted on 17/1/1832.

At some point after the death of Grace Vaughan, Ty Gwyn passed to **John Jones** (see p.18), the nephew of **John Davies of Fronheulog**, one of the Trustees of Grace Vaughan's estate; and the grandson of **John Jones of Tynddol**, who was the other Trustee and who was a yeoman farmer. **John Jones**, the nephew was still underage at the time.

**1823** – John Matthews of Mold (1773-1848) valuation of the Ty Gwyn estate.<sup>26</sup>

#### Summary

|                                 | A   | R | P  | £   | s  | d  | yrs purchase | Amount       |
|---------------------------------|-----|---|----|-----|----|----|--------------|--------------|
| <b>Ty Gwyn &amp; Allotments</b> | 116 | 3 | 11 | 69  | 13 | 0  | 26           | 1,810. 18. - |
| Nant & Bryn Hir                 | 61  | 3 | 18 | 36  | 13 | 10 | 26           | 953. 19. 7   |
| Ty Du                           | 49  | 3 | 4  | 36  | 16 | 7  | 26           | 957. 11. 1   |
| Ty Cerrig                       | 122 | 3 | 34 | 91  | 1  | 3  | 26           | 2,367. 12. 6 |
| Allotments                      | 89  | - | 32 | 11  | 13 | 9  | 20           | 233. 15. -   |
|                                 | 440 | 2 | 19 | 247 | 12 | 5  |              | 6,323. 16. 2 |

**1828** – **John Jones** of Tynddol died. His eldest daughter, Sarah Jones (married to Thomas Jones) had already predeceased him. Their eldest son, **John Jones**, was 18 years old at the time. The Trustees, of his estate took control of its management for the use and benefit of him until he reached his majority. The Trustees of John Jones' estate were Gabriel Davies (*father of John Davies*) & David Anwyl, who were both solicitors in partnership in Bala.

#### **1829 1<sup>st</sup> September**

Declaration of Trust from John Davies esq. as to a freehold estate purchased by him with Trust monies.<sup>27</sup>

1. John Roberts & Jonnett his wife
2. Thomas Jones & Sarah his wife (previously Sarah Jones spinster), one of the daughters and two children of John Jones.  
John Jones s/o John Roberts and Jonnett his wife
3. Gabriel Davies & David Anwyl both of Bala gents.

Whereas the said John Roberts & Jonnett his wife have both long since departed this life & the said

26. NLW Fronheulog MSS no.21

27. *ibid.* no.35

Sarah, the wife of the said Thomas Jones, departed this life in the lifetime of the said **John Jones** now of Finsbury Sq. in the city of London, gent. her eldest son and heir and Thomas Jones the younger and Catherine Jonnett Jones her only other children surviving her. And whereas the said John Jones as her eldest son is by virtue of the limitations in the said herein before in part recited Indenture contained become entitled to the benefits of the aforementioned Trust, monies and premises which consisted of the sum of twenty eight thousand, eight hundred and sixty two pounds six shillings and two pence. Three pounds per centum consolidated Bank annuities or thereabouts subject to certain incumbrances thereon in favour and for the benefit of the said Thomas Jones the elder, Thomas Jones the younger and the said Catherine Jonnett Jones in the said Indenture mentioned and whereas I the said John Davies in or about the month of June One Thousand eight hundred and twenty seven contracted and agreed with Wilson Jones of Gelligynan co. Denbigh esq. or his Trustees Agent or Agents on his behalf for the purchase of the messuages, lands, tenements and hereditaments herein after mentioned or referred to at the price or sum of Eleven thousand four hundred and seventy five pounds.

**1838 Feb 17<sup>th</sup>** - Survey & Valuation of Ty Gwyn Estate in the parish of Bryneglwys & Corwen Valued by Edward Jones.

| Farms                           | tenants            | ARP         | value per acre | annual value |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|-------------|----------------|--------------|
| <b>Ty Gwyn</b>                  | David Jones        | 116.3.11    | 16/-           | £93.10.0     |
| Best part of house & yard       | "                  |             |                | £15.0.0      |
| Nant                            | John Jones – widow | 61.3.8      | 15/6           | £47.0.0      |
| Ty du                           | John Evans         | 13.3.42     | 15/-           | £45.0.0      |
| Ty Cerrig                       | David Davies       | 122.3.34    | 14/6           | £103.0.0     |
|                                 |                    | 21.0.0      |                |              |
|                                 |                    |             |                | .....        |
|                                 |                    |             |                | £303.10.0    |
|                                 |                    |             |                | .....        |
| Real Value at 27 years purchase |                    | £8,194.10.0 |                |              |
| Timber on the estate            |                    | £350. 0.0   |                |              |
|                                 |                    | .....       |                |              |
|                                 |                    | £8,544.10.0 |                |              |
|                                 |                    | .....       |                |              |

The above estate valued Feb.26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup> 1838 by Edward Jones

#### **Bryn Eglwys**

Ty Gwyn 127  
Nant 32, 42  
Bryn Hir 16

#### **Corwen**

Ty Du 45  
Ty Cerrig 110

330 at 25 years value £8,250  
timber upon the whole estate £300  
.....  
£8,550  
.....

Buildings in Ty Gwyn in good repair  
Buildings at Nant wanted little repairs  
Ty Cerrig in sufficient & tenantable repair  
Ty du wanted little repairs – nothing of any consequence.

John Jones of Tyddynllan did not live in Ty Gwyn but rented the property to a tenant.

### **The Jones Family of Tynddol<sup>28</sup>**

**John Jones** of Tynddol was the only son and heir of John Roberts & Jonnett Jones of Votty Cregin, Llandderfel. He married Elizabeth ..... a widow, who already had a son and a daughter from her previous marriage. John and Jonnett had two daughters – Sarah and Jonnett. Sarah married Thomas Jones and Jonnet married John Davies. John Roberts died in 1808 and his wife, Jonnett died in 1811.

**1811 5<sup>th</sup> March** – Mrs Jonnet Roberts, widow of John Roberts, died. There are several identical newspaper reports<sup>29</sup> regarding her death. It is not clear why she was in receipt of Parish relief as the family appeared did not appear to be particularly poor.

*Mrs Jonnet Davies died aged 84 years. She resided 45 years on a small farm in the neighbourhood of Bala, in great distress, but for 9 years preceding June 1809 she received relief from the parish of Llandervel. About that time, with assistance of some friends, she commenced a suit in Chancery against the executors of the late Robert Jones esq. (an eminent Brandy Merchant of St.Mary's Hill) to whom she was first cousin and next of kin. After the delay which the law is subject to, she obtained about 6 months ago, a decree from the Chancellor, which put her in the possession of a moiety of the estate amounting to upwards of £150,000.*

Robert Jones was the son of Gawen Jones. His sister, Sarah Jones had married John William Foulk, the father of Jonnett Roberts (nee Jones).

John Roberts and Jonnett his wife challenged the Executors of the Will in 1808. Another cousin, Elizabeth Price, also claimed kinship and a share in the estate.

### **1808 26<sup>th</sup> May**

Statement of the case arising from the will of the late Robert Jones of St. Mary Hill, city of London.<sup>30</sup>

codicil 21/6/1808

William Wilson appointed executor.

|                                   |          |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Book debts & stock in trade       | £186,000 |
| Book debts payable in 5 years     | £41,800  |
| Book debts doubtful               | £15,300  |
| Consignments to America           | £10,000  |
| Supposed value of deceased estate | £260,100 |
| deduct                            | £34,914  |
| legacies                          | £31,500  |

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28. Appendix 9 - The Jones and Davies Families

29. North Wales Gazette 7/3/1811; La Belle Assemblée Vol 3. p.168

30. ibid. Fronheulog no.17

Mrs. Hannah Jones (*This has been mis-transcribed. It should read Jonnett Jones*) & Elizabeth Price next of kin offered £95,5000 on their giving up their claim upon the testators estate. But in fact they had a right to the whole of the residue of the Testators personal estate. They were advised not to accept the offer because *'the freehold, copyhold and leasehold estates belong to the next of kin'*.

John Leach Lincoln's Inn 18<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1808

Case with Leach's opinion re. Robert Jones' will.

**1808 26<sup>th</sup> May** - Abstract of Petition of John Roberts & Jonnett his wife

Robert Jones gave several legacies to different persons and one shilling a piece to each of his relations but made no disposition of the residue of his estate.

**1808 29<sup>th</sup> June** - Robert Jones died. The executors of his will were Thomas Kendall & Gilpin Gorst & William Mardell.

**October 1808** - A Bill filed by Ambrose Price & Elizabeth his wife & John Roberts & Jonnett his wife against the executors claiming to be entitled to the residue of the personal estate.

Elizabeth Price cousin exparte materna

Jonnett Jones cousin exparte paterna

The final compromise which was offered:- to give the plaintiffs £300,000 in instalments with interest.

**1808 Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>** - Summary of the challenge by John Roberts yeoman & Jonnett his wife.<sup>31</sup>

*"Jonnett was the one surviving daughter of John William Foulk late of Tai isa Cefn ..... in the parish of Llanycil & Sarah his wife both deceased.*

*Gawen Jones of Scybor in the parish of Llanycil, since of Lldiart y Mynydd parish of Llanfawr and late of Tyn yr ardd near Cylas bach parish of Llandderfel and afterwards of Cefn dwyfarw (? Cefn Ddwysarn), Llandderfel - drover*

*Gawen was the father of Robert Jones late of St.Mary Hill, London.*

*John Roberts & his wife being in the nearest degree of kindred to the said Robert Jones - the next of kin of the Testator are entitled to them."*

**1809 18<sup>th</sup> April**

Mr.Roberts and Mrs Jones by Deed assigned £147,000 of their moiety of the Funds in question in this cause to Messrs. Davies and Anwyl (Trustees) to such uses as they (Mr.Roberts & Mrs Jones) should appoint.

**1809 7<sup>th</sup> September** - Deed of Appointment

Mr. John Roberts and his wife appointed the dividend of their moiety to be paid to them or the survivor of them for life. And after the survivor, to divide the residue into 6 equal parts:-

John Jones; Thomas Jones & Sarah his wife & their children's; Jonnett Jones and her children; Jonnett Williams and her children; William Williams and his children; Elizabeth Williams and her children.

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31. *ibid.* no.316

John Roberts = Jonnett Jones  
The interest of the whole fund to them and then  
the survivor of them for life.  
After the death of the survivor of them £30,000  
to the Executors of John Roberts and the remainder into  
6 parts

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|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| .....       |   |
| John Jones  | Sarah Jones   |
| m.          | m.  |
| Elizabeth   | David Williams  |
| I           | I   |
| .....       |   |
| Sarah Jones | Jonnett Jones      Jonnett Wms.    Elizabeth Wms.    William Wms. |

John Roberts must have died shortly before this settlement was completed.

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### The Davies family of Penybryn

**John Davies** married **Jonnett Jones**, younger daughter of John Jones of Tynddol in 1813. He was the son of Gabriel Davies (1757-1828), a native of Clocaenog, Denbighshire. His parents were John Davies, a farmer, and Alice Lloyd.

**1752 25<sup>th</sup> November** – Marriage of John Davis (farmer) otp and Alice Lloyd, Clocaenog<sup>32</sup>

**1758 18<sup>th</sup> January** – Baptism of Gabriel Davis s/o John and Alice – Pen y Bryn<sup>33</sup>

Gabriel moved to Bala c.1775-80, at first as a saddler, and afterwards he became a grocer and draper, but he finally developed a wholesale hosier business. At the time Bala was then a notable entrepôt for the stockings knit in a wide region around, and Gabriel Davies exported these from Barmouth, trading even with America. The hosiers who attended the Bala Fair were mostly Englishmen employed by merchants from Shrewsbury and elsewhere to buy stockings for resale in London and other English towns, supplying shops and warehouses. However, it is known that local men became agents, one of the most prosperous of them being Gabriel Davies, described in a Trade Directory of 1815 as a grocer, draper and Welsh woollen yarn hosiery and flannel merchant.<sup>34</sup>

As well as amassing a considerable fortune, Gabriel was also a leading Calvinistic Methodist elder. His will, proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury on the 5/5/1829, describes him as '**a gentleman of Bala**'.<sup>35</sup>

John Jones of Tynddol was clearly very fond of his new son-in-law, John Davies, and allowed him to build a house on his land and also have the use of both properties..

32. Ruthin Archives – Clocaenog Parish registers

33. *ibid.*

34. Folk Life: Vol.16 1978 issue 1 Knitting stockings in Wales S.Minwel Tibbott p.70 pub. Online 18 July 2013

35. National Archives ref. PROB 11/1755/242



## 1809 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> May Schedule of Transactions<sup>36</sup>

John Jones of Tynddol had permitted John Davies, his son-in-law, “to erect a building and messuage or mansion house called Fronheulog wherein the said John Davies resides together with offices and other buildings upon a certain spot, part or parcel ..... lands and grounds of and belonging to the said messuage tenement farm and lands called Tynyddol.

..... John Jones ..... the natural love and affection he hath and beareth towards the said John Davies and Jonnett his wife the daughter and heir of the said John Jones hath agreed to and with the said John Davies and Jonnett his wife that all and singular the said messuage tenement farm lands called Tynyddol comprising the newly erected house called Fronheulog and buildings erected shall go, be and remain that the Trustees David Anwyl and Gabriel Davies ..... both Fronheulog and Tynyddol - to the use of John Davies and Jonnett his wife.”

John Davies built the mansion of Fronheulog, Llanycil in about 1813, enclosing and developing surrounding land into an estate. Richard Fenton in his Tours of Wales wrote:-

“Memoranda for Merionethshire July 18<sup>th</sup> 1813 p.123

See Llanderfel the other side of the River, near which there is a new house building by a Mr. Davies, son of the great Stocking Merchant at Bala, who married one of the young women representatives of the old paupers who succeeded as next of kin to Jones the Brandy Merchant, who left Bala without shoe or stocking and died worth half a million.”

The Stocking Merchant referred to was Gabriel Davies. The Brandy Merchant was Robert Jones of St.Mary's Hill, London. They both died worth about half a million pounds each.



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36. Fronheulog estate MSS no. 120

Gabriel Davies died in 1828.

**John Davies** of Fronheulog succeeded to much of his father's wealth.

**1816** - He became sheriff of Merionethshire. He was also one of the most prominent lay leaders of Calvinistic Methodism in his day and a wealthy grocer. He is featured in some later correspondence with his nephew, **John Jones, owner of Ty Gwyn** (c.1808-1875). (see below)

John Davies also styled himself as a 'gentleman', although neither he nor his father appear to have been descended from a gentry family. His appointment, in 1822, to the bench of magistrates provoked a storm, both as a nonconformist and as a **'mere tradesman'**, Davies was unacceptable to his fellow-justices on the Bala bench, and for some years they refused to sit with him in petty sessions, so that when Davies's turn on the rota came round, Samuel Holland had to come over from Ffestiniog to make a quorum.



John Davies



Jonnet Davies nee Jones

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When John Jones s/o John Jones became of age, he was living in London and studying law.

**1829 20<sup>th</sup> March** - Correspondence between Mr. D.Anwyl and John Jones<sup>37</sup>

John Jones 13, Finsbury Square. London

I have long entertained thoughts of turning my mind to some more profitable business than

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37. Merioneth Archives ref. Z/DP/1/315

to Law promises to be, and at length have resolved to engage in some mercantile pursuit but before I can take any steps towards putting my plans into execution it is absolutely necessary that what remains for me in the funds should be at my command. As therefore an immediate transfer has become very desirable I proposed to sign an undertaking to stand to the agreement made at Vronheulog viz. That I take Mr Wilson Jones property and the moiety of my grandfather's which undertaking will of course be returned to me on the execution of the Deed you are now drawing. I cannot think you will have any objection this far to comply with my views therefore I shall feel obliged by your immediately forwarding what you thought to sign and you will greatly oblige.

My Dear Sir  
yours very truly  
John Jones

**1829 March 21<sup>st</sup>** - Nearly a fortnight since I wrote you ..... I was most anxious to have the management of my affairs in my own hands ..... I might have had within six weeks after attaining the age of 21 ..... six months have been allowed to pass away.

This correspondence continued for several months and the dispute was eventually taken to Chancery.

John Jones also wrote to his uncle, John Davies of Fronheulog, concerning the dispute. It appears that he was planning to travel abroad.

**1830 Tuesday morning 2<sup>nd</sup> June**

My dear Uncle

As I am most anxious that the suit instituted against Anwyl and others should be settled and cannot remain in the country myself to see it terminated, I will thank you to make the best terms you can for me and am satisfied that any arrangement entered into by you on my behalf will be not very far from what it ought to be . But I do think that whatever that may be it ought to be a condition that Mr. Anwyl shall give up all Deeds and shall assist if necessary in transferring the Trust.

John Jones

**1830 May 19<sup>th</sup>**

My Dear Uncle

I shall feel much obliged by your continuing to receive the rents of the purchase made of William Jones and of our joint property and should it be necessary at any time to distrain upon the tenants you will consider this letter sufficient authority to do so on my behalf.

John Jones 13, Finsbury Square. London

**1830 – John Jones of Ty Gwyn** (c.1808-1875) married **Emma Gilliat** (1809-1848), daughter of John Gilliat and Mary Kirton. The Gilliat family had originated from Lincolnshire.<sup>38</sup>

It is unlikely that **John Jones and Emma** ever lived at **Ty Gwyn**. Their home was initially in Clapham, Surrey. They had seven children.

|                            |              |          |                           |
|----------------------------|--------------|----------|---------------------------|
| Cpt. Edward Gilliat Jones  | b.29/12/1831 | Clapham, | d. 1905 Fronderw nr. Bala |
| Louisa/Emma Caroline Jones | b.5/11/1833  | “        |                           |

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38. Appendix 10 – The family of John Jones of Tyddynllan

|                      |              |                       |                    |
|----------------------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Henry Horace Jones   | b.1/1/1836   |                       |                    |
| Herbert Wright Jones | b.1838       | Middlsx.              | d.1904 left a Will |
| Frank Kirton Jones   | b.27/7/1840  | Llandrillo            |                    |
| Mary Augusta Jones   | b. 1/11/1843 | Woodmansterne, Surrey |                    |
| John Algernon Jones  | b.14/1/1845  | "                     |                    |

**Tygwyn** was leased or tenanted at this time. In 1837 a **David Jones** is recorded as the occupier. It is not known whether he was related to John Jones.

**1837 22<sup>nd</sup> July** – The son of the farmer living at Ty Gwyn was married in Bryn Eglwys.<sup>39</sup>

David Jones son of **David Jones of Ty Gwyn** farmer

Jane Roberts daughter of Maurice Roberts of Blaenyale farmer

**1839 29<sup>th</sup> June** – A labourer living at Ty Gwyn was married in Bryn Eglwys.

**Thomas Davies labourer – Ty Gwyn**

Mary Ann Davies a servant at Tynyffordd

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### 1836 – the Tithe Commutation Act

The payment of one tenth of local produce to the church had been established in Anglo Saxon England before the Norman conquest. This was originally in kind i.e. one tenth stook of corn etc. Over time, in some parishes, this was converted into cash payments. The Act in 1836 established this for all parishes but it required the accurate drawing of maps showing all the land in each parish. Most of the work was done in 1841. John Matthews, surveyor (1773-1848) did much of this work in North Wales.

### Tithe Schedule

**Ty Gwyn** – Bryneglwys – Gwrthrine, Llan & Talybidwal

|                              |         | A   | R | P  |          |         |
|------------------------------|---------|-----|---|----|----------|---------|
| <b>Owner: John Jones</b>     | Plot 23 | 125 | 0 | 15 | £11 19 2 | £5 19 7 |
| <b>Occupier: David Jones</b> |         |     |   |    |          |         |

Nant

|                          |         |   |   |   |
|--------------------------|---------|---|---|---|
| <b>Owner: John Jones</b> | Plot 24 | 1 | 2 | 6 |
| Occupier: John Jones     |         |   |   |   |

.....  
126      2      21  
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*It is not known whether the occupier of Nant, John Jones, was related to the owner also called John Jones. John Jones, the owner was living in Llandrillo in 1841. (see p.24)*

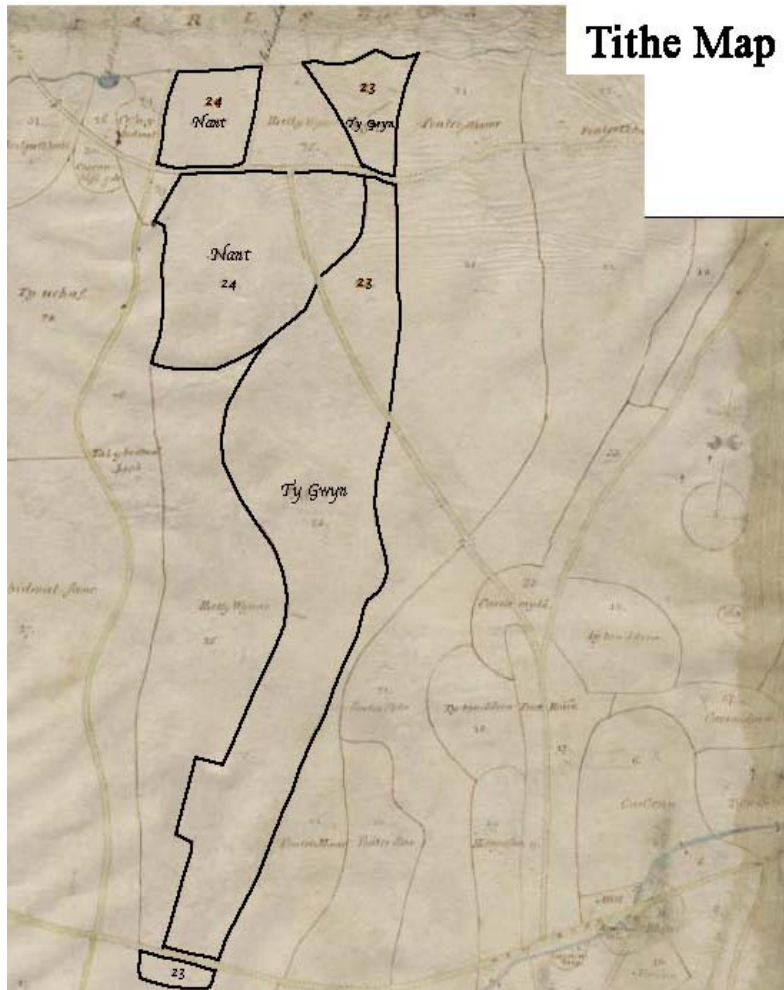
*N.B. A R P = acres, roods & perches*

*40 perches = 1 rood*

*4 roods = 1 acre*

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39. Ruthin Archives – Bryn Eglwys Parish Registers



**1840** – John Jones and his family moved to Tyddynllan in Llandrillo yn Edeyrnion, Merionethshire.

**1841** – The Chancery suit against David Anwyl was finally resolved after 12 years.<sup>40</sup>

Jones v. Anwyl & others

1. John Jones of Tyddynllan
2. Rice Owen Anwyl esq. of Bala
3. John Davies esq. of Vronheulog

Dispute re. Settlement of all accounts relating to the Trust on which this suit has been founded.

Proposed by Rice Owen Anwyl

1. Satisfying the claim of John Jones upon Rice Owen Anwyl & others for £14,000 consols. Or the produce thereof and dividends and interest - settled and determined by Mr. Holme
2. Further claim John Jones upon Rice Owen Anwyl for the surplus dividends and interest on the remainder of the Trust fund after payment of the annual disbursement agreed upon.

Arbitrator Bryan Holme esq. of New Inn to declare the sum due and payable from the said J. Davies to the said Rice Owen Anwyl for the £14,000 in consideration of the

<sup>40</sup>. Merioneth Archives ref. Z/DP/5/376

relinquishment by Rice Owen Anwyl of all claim, right and title to the estate on which the produce of the £14,000 was invested.

At the time of the purchase conveyed to J.Davies and is still held by him.

John Davies to pay Rice Owen Anwyl

Rice Owen Anwyl to pay John Jones

each to pay own costs and the suit to be discharged

£5,000 each Bond for the performance of the engagement of this Bond.

The entail was finally dismantled so allowing the money which John Jones had requested to be released to him in 1829 could be allocated to him.

**1841 8<sup>th</sup> August** - disentailing Deed and Assignment of Trust funds being £14,275 .13 .5

to John Jones of Tyddynllan esq.

from Jonnet Davies wife of John Davies of Vronheulog, Llanderfel<sup>41</sup>

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### Census

The first census of the population which named individual householders was recorded in 1841.

**1841 census** (PRO ref. HO 107/1405/3)

#### **Ty Gwyn, Bryneglwys**

|                    |    |        |                        |
|--------------------|----|--------|------------------------|
| David Jones        | 70 | farmer | born in the county yes |
| Jane Jones         | 70 |        | no                     |
| Sidney Jones       | 25 |        | no                     |
| William Jones      | 30 |        | no                     |
| Jane Jones         | 3  |        | yes                    |
| John Jones         | 15 | M.S.   | yes                    |
| Robert Jones       | 15 | M.S.   | yes                    |
| William Pugh       | 25 | Ind.   | no                     |
| Elizabeth Griffith | 13 | F.S.   | yes                    |

**1841 15<sup>th</sup> June** – Robert and Jane's daughter, Sidney was married in Bryneglwys.<sup>42</sup>

Evan Roberts of Pentre yn sais

**Sidney Jones of Ty Gwyn**

*John Jones, the owner of Tygwyn was still living in Llandrillo yn Edeyrnion in 1841.*

### **1841 census**

**Tyddynllan, Llandrillo, Merionethshire** (PRO ref. Ho 107/1428/16)

|                   |        |      |     |
|-------------------|--------|------|-----|
| <b>John Jones</b> | 30     | Ind. | yes |
| Emma Jones        | 30     |      | no  |
| Emma Jones        | 7      |      | no  |
| Henry Jones       | 5      |      | no  |
| Herbert Jones     | 3      |      | no  |
| Frank Jones       | 10mths |      | yes |

41. Merioneth Archives ref. Z/DP/5/3

42. Bryneglwys parish records



*John Jones' eldest son, Edward Gilliat Jones was away at a boarding school in Surrey in 1841.*

**North End, Croydon, Surrey (Whitgift School)** (PRO ref. HO 107/1078/8)

Edward Jones            12        student            yes

The school was founded by John Whitgift (c1530-1604 & Archbishop of Canterbury 1583-1604) in 1596 and opened in 1600.

*The following Abstract of Title relates to Tygwyn. By this time John Jones was a London merchant and had become a wealthy man.*

### **Summary of an Abstract of Title<sup>43</sup>**

**1841 26<sup>th</sup> March** – H.Davies & others to J.Jones - lease

**1841 26<sup>th</sup> March** – Richard Roberts & Robert Parry executors of Rice Rice to John Jones – assigned (endorsed)

**1846 28<sup>th</sup> October** – J.Jones to Mrs M. Gilliat & others – mortgage.

*Mary Gilliat was John Jones' mother-in-law.*

**1847 26<sup>th</sup> May** – Burial – Bryneglwys of Jane Jones wife of Robert Jones, the farmer at Ty gwyn. She was 74 years old.

*By 1851 there were new tenants at Tygwyn .*

### **1851 census**

**Ty Gwyn, Tanybidwel, Bryneglwys** (PRO ref. HO 107/2509)

|                  |       |     |       |               |                            |
|------------------|-------|-----|-------|---------------|----------------------------|
| Evan Roberts     | H     | M   | 35    | farmer        | b. Llantysilio, Denbigh.   |
| Sidney Roberts   | W     | M   | 36    | farmer's wife | b. Llanfor, Merionethshire |
| Jane Roberts     | dau   |     | 7     | farmer's dau  | b. Bryneglwys, Denbigh.    |
| David Roberts    | son   |     | 5     | farmer's son  | b. “                       |
| Ann Roberts      | dau.  |     | 3     | farmer's dau. | b. “                       |
| Janet Roberts    | dau.  |     | 6mths | farmer's dau. | b. “                       |
| Thomas Williams  | serv. | unm | 21    | servant       | b. Llanelidan, Denbigh.    |
| John Jones       | serv. | unm | 17    | “             | b. Llantysilio, Denbigh.   |
| Elizabeth Davies | serv. | unm | 23    | house servant | b. Bettws, Merioneth.      |
| Elizabeth Lloyd  | serv. | unm | 17    | “             | b. Bryneglwys, Denbigh.    |

The owner of Ty Gwyn, **John Jones**, was living with his family in Surrey in 1851. The Oaks (Oaks Park) in Surrey had been sold to him and his brother-in-law, Joseph Smith, in 1842. They divided the house into two family dwellings. Joseph Smith married Emma's sister Augusta Gilliat, in 1830, the same year that John Jones and Emma Gilliat had married.

**1848 23<sup>rd</sup> July** - Emma Jones (nee Gilliat) died aged 40 years. After this, the centre section of the house appears to have been lowered to three floors and castellation of the middle section walls had at last given the house a uniform look.

The Oaks was built by the Lambert family in an area which had a history of sporting activities including hunting and racing. In 1788, it was purchased by the 12<sup>th</sup> Earl of Derby who instigated the two classic Epsom races – The Derby and The Oaks.

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43. Ruthin Archives ref.DD/DM/416/3





**The Oaks c.1840**

*John Jones and his children continued to live at The Oaks with a large number of servants for a few years after the death of his wife Emma.*

### **1851 census**

The Oaks, Woodmansterne, Surrey

|                      |            |       |    |                 |                               |
|----------------------|------------|-------|----|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| John Jones           | H          | widr. | 43 | merchant        | b. Llandrillo, Merioneth.     |
| Edward Gilliat Jones | son        |       | 19 |                 | b. Clapham, Surrey            |
| Emma Caroline Jones  | dau        |       | 17 |                 | b. “                          |
| Herbert Wright Jones | son        |       | 13 | scholar at home | b. Middlsx. London            |
| Frank Kirton Jones   | son        |       | 10 | “               | b. Llandrillo, Merioneth      |
| Mary Augusta Jones   | dau        |       | 7  | “               | b. Woodmansterne, Surrey      |
| John Algernon Jones  | son        |       | 7  | “               | b. “                          |
| Mary Gilliat         | m-in-law   | Wid   | 82 |                 | b. Middlsx. London            |
| Louisa Gilliat       | sis-in-law | unm   | 40 |                 | b. Clapham, Surrey            |
| Ellen Gilliat        | “          | unm   | 22 |                 | b. “                          |
| Caroline Schmidt     | governess  | unm   | 20 | governess       | b. Middlsx. London            |
| Charlotte Stevenson  | serv.      | unm   | 38 | cook            | b. Yorkshire                  |
| Saran Ann Chepping   | serv.      | unm   | 39 | Lady's Maid     | b. Cheshunt, Hertfordshire    |
| Anne Maria Cantrell  | serv.      | unm   | 29 | nurse           | b. Manchester, Lancashire     |
| Eliza Stone          | serv.      | unm   | 19 | house serv.     | b. Hertfordshire              |
| Josiah Birking       | serv.      | unm   | 20 | house serv.     | b. Coulsden, Surrey           |
| Anne Hazel           | serv.      | unm   | 18 | house serv.     | b. Carshalton, Surrey         |
| Eliza Hennell        | serv.      | unm   | 29 | Lady's maid     | b. Middlsx. London            |
| William Heaver       | serv.      | unm   | 24 | Coachman        | b. Worsfield, Sussex          |
| David Elvans         | serv.      | unm   | 29 | House serv.     | b. Llandrillo, Merionethshire |

John Jones's brother-in-law, Joseph Smith, had a household of 12 people, including servants, in the other part of the house.

Mr Jones and his daughter left the house shortly after this and returned to Wales. They established themselves at Frondderw near Bala.

**1852 29<sup>th</sup> May** – A servant at Ty Gwyn was married. in Bryneglwys.

**Owen Owens a servant at Ty Gwyn**

Gwen Jones a servant at Nant

**1855 17<sup>th</sup> November** – Another servant at Ty Gwyn was married in Bryneglwys.

Robert Jones a labourer at Ty Gwyn

Elizabeth Jones a servant at Blaenyddle

*There seems to follow a period of mortgages and remortgages, conveyances and re-conveyances relating to Ty Gwyn. This may indicate that finances were not in a healthy position.*

**1858 15<sup>th</sup> December** – M.Gilliat & another to J.Jones - re-conveyance

**1859 5<sup>th</sup> January** – J.Jones to J.Smith & others - mortgage

**1859 6<sup>th</sup> January** – J.Jones to J.Smith - mortgage<sup>44</sup>

**1859 7<sup>th</sup> May** – Another servant at Ty Gwyn was married in Bryneglwys.

Robert Roberts labourer at Ty Gwyn

Sarah Roberts servant at Ty Mawr

*John Jones' eldest son, Edward Gilliat Jones became a career soldier with the Royal Merionethshire Militia.*

**1859 June 17<sup>th</sup>** The London Gazette p.2364

Royal Merionethshire Militia – Edward Gilliat Jones gent. to be Ensign dated 1<sup>st</sup> June 1859.

**1859 12<sup>th</sup> July** The London Gazette

Ensign Edward Gilliat Jones to be Lieutenant vice dated 11<sup>th</sup> July 1859

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The 1861 census record for Bryneglwys and Llanycil/Bala area is missing.

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**1868** - Poor law valuation

John Jones Esq. owner of Nant, Ty Gwyn, Cae Eithin.

In 1870, the tenant, Evan Roberts was given notice to quit Ty Gwyn.

**1870-71**

Papers & Letters re. Ty Gwyn (co.Denbigh)<sup>45</sup>

Arbitration – Notice to quit was served on Mr. Evan Roberts as tenant of Tygwyn, Bryneglwys co.

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44. Merioneth Archives ref. Z/DP/8/185

45. *ibid.*

Denbigh by Mr. John Jones of Frondderw, co. Merioneth. His appeal for compensation was referred to Arbitration.

Following this notice to quit Ty Gwyn, John Jones wrote to his solicitor concerning the contents of the house.

**1871 4<sup>th</sup> March - The Reform Club, London**

**Correspondence - Letter to J.R.Jones solicitor from John Jones**

*N.B. Some words are difficult to read.*

My Dear Jones

I make you a check for £64 payable to your Order If that sum ..... too little you will oblige me by making up the difference and when I return in the beginning of next month I will make it all right with you.

There is at Tygwyn a large number of pewter plates and dishes which belong to me as I have lost all confidence in John Roberts I wish some steps should be taken to further the possibility of his accessing them with the rest of my furniture. As Mrs Jones has taken a fancy to them and as they are never used by Mrs Roberts perhaps my daughter's fancy may be makes a good excuse for removing them at ..... Frondderw ..... if you can manage this for me if so direct Cadwaladr my man at Ty Ucha to take a horse and cart with a lot of straw in it for these .....

I am always John Jones

**1870 22<sup>nd</sup> August** – J.Smith & others to J.Jones - re-conveyance

**1870 22<sup>nd</sup> August** – J.Smith & others to J. Jones – conveyance<sup>46</sup>

Mr. Thomas Roberts of Berse nr. Wrexham co. Denbigh, arbitrator in the dispute between John Jones of Frondderw nr. Bala esq. and Evan Roberts of Tygwyn, Bryneglwys, co. Denbigh farmer re. a farm called Tygwyn co. Denbigh, made an award against Mr John Jones of Frondderw co. Merioneth of £104 compensation.<sup>47 48</sup>

**1870 3<sup>rd</sup> December**

1. John Jones esq. of Frondderw
2. Mr. Evan Roberts dispute respecting a farm called Tygwyn
3. Arbiter Thomas Roberts

The sum of £81 .10 .0 to be paid by John Jones to Mr. Evan Roberts as payment compensation for the carriage of materials to all the buildings, building new walls, money paid out of ..... for various, ..... laying down meadows, draining, new hedges, lime, seeds and manure in meadows

Further sum of £22 .10 .0 for abstaining from sowing wheat in Cae Llwyd making total £104 .0 .0

In return Evan Roberts shall deliver up to John Jones the quiet and peaceable possession of the farm, lands and buildings and appurtenances called Tygwyn on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of Feb. next.

And the dwelling house on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May next.

And John Jones, his servants and workmen shall be able to enter upon any part for purpose of ploughing, hedging, ditching etc. required for the cultivation of the farm.

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46. *ibid.*

47. *Ibid* ref.Z/DP/9/630

48. *ibid.* ref Z/DP/8/189

The whereabouts of John Jones in 1871 is not known, but his eldest son, Edward and a younger son Herbert Wright Jones, his wife and two children were still living at Frondderw. Herbert Wright Jones had married Sarah Williams in the June quarter 1867. Their marriage was registered in Bala.

### 1871 census

#### Frondderw, Llanycil (PRO ref. RG10/5686)

|                    |            |     |    |                              |                                       |
|--------------------|------------|-----|----|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Head of Family     | absent     |     |    |                              |                                       |
| Edward G. Jones    | son        | unm | 39 | Cpt. Royal Merioneth Militia | b. Chaffin ( <i>Clapham</i> ), Surrey |
| Herbert W. Jones   | son        | M   | 33 | Farmer                       | b. Middlxs. London                    |
| Sarah Jones        | dau-in-law | M   | 30 | “ 's wife                    | b. Llanuwchllyn, Merioneth            |
| Gilliat H. Jones   | gr.son     |     | 3  |                              | b. Chipstead, Surrey                  |
| Edward H. Jones    | gr.son     |     | 1  |                              | b. “                                  |
| Elizabeth Williams | serv.      | unm | 38 | cook                         | b. Llangower, Merioneth               |
| Jane Roberts       | serv.      | unm | 23 | housemaid                    | b. Llanfawr, Merioneth                |
| Anne Roberts       | serv.      | unm | 22 | kitchen maid                 | b. Dolgelly, Merioneth                |
| Susan McGowan      | serv.      | unm | 23 | nurse                        | b. Islington, Middlxs.                |
| William Price      | serv.      | unm | 37 | gardener, domestic           | b. Llanderfel, Merioneth              |
| Price Jones        | serv.      | unm | 21 | footman                      | b. Bala, Merioneth                    |
| Cadwaladr Jones    | serv.      | unm | 18 | groom                        | b. “                                  |

1871 The census records for Bryneglwys are missing.

**1875 9<sup>th</sup> June** – death of John Jones aged 67 years. His son Edward Gilliat Jones inherited his estate, which included **Ty Gwyn**.

Another son of John Jones married in 1876.

**1876** marriage registration Tunbridge

Gertrude Walford Earle m. **John Algernon Jones**

**By 1881, John Jones' son, Herbert Wright Jones and his wife, were living at Ty Gwyn.**

### 1881 census

#### Ty Gwyn, Bryneglwys (PRO ref. RG11/5540)

|                   |          |     |    |                          |                             |
|-------------------|----------|-----|----|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Herbert W. Jones  | H        | M   | 43 | ]own professional income | b. London                   |
| Sarah Jones       | W        | M   | 41 | ]from land & dividends   | b. Llanuwchllyn, Merioneth. |
| Margaret Williams | s-in-law | unm | 36 |                          | b. “                        |
| Mary Asterley     | visitor  | unm | 18 |                          | b. Salop.                   |
| Catherine Lloyd   | serv.    | unm | 23 | housemaid                | b. Bryneglwys, Denbigh.     |
| Harriet Lloyd     | serv.    | unm | 18 | cook                     | b. “                        |
| David Perry       | serv.    | unm | 19 | groom                    | b. Oxfordshire              |

None of the Jones family were in residence at Frondderw in 1881. Their whereabouts are unknown.

### 1881 census

#### **Frondderw, Llanycil** (PRO ref. RG11/55H2)

|                    |       |     |    |                          |                           |
|--------------------|-------|-----|----|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| William Price      | serv. | unm | 46 | gardener (family absent) | b. Llanderfel, Merioneth. |
| Cadwaladr Jones    | serv. | unm | 26 | coachman                 | b. “                      |
| Elizabeth Williams | serv. | unm | 46 | cook, domestic           | b. Llangower, Merioneth.  |
| Jane Roberts       | serv. | unm | 32 | housemaid                | b. Llanfor, Merioneth.    |

The wife of John Algernon Jones was living in Surrey with her children. The whereabouts of her husband is not known.

### 1881 census

#### **Gatwick House, Charlwood, Surrey** (PRO ref. RG11/801)

|                                |        |     |       |                         |                           |
|--------------------------------|--------|-----|-------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Gertrude Walford Jones         | W      | M   | 36    | Lady, Stockbrokers wife | b. Camberwell, Surrey     |
| Emma Clara Jones               | dau    |     | 3     |                         | b. Tonbridge, Kent        |
| Marian Gladys Jones            | dau    |     | 2     |                         | b. “                      |
| John Wm. Barham Jones          | son    |     | 5mths |                         | b. Charlwood, Surrey      |
| Edward Gilbert (Gilliat) Jones | bro.   | unm | 49    | Gentleman               | b. Clapham, Surrey        |
| Emma Caroline Jones            | sister | unm | 47    | Lady                    | b. “                      |
| Frank Kirton Jones             | bro.   | unm | 40    | Gentleman               | b. Llandrillo, Merioneth. |
| Elizabeth Stockham             | serv.  | wid | 62    | cook, domestic serv.    | b. Stockland, Somerset    |
| Mary Ann Munday                | serv.  | M   | 46    | nurse, domestic serv.   | b. Botley, Hants          |
| Agnes Sprout                   | serv.  | unm | 32    | housemaid, domes.       | b. Gatehouse, Scotland    |
| Henry Avaun                    | serv.  | unm | 29    | groom                   | b. Middlsx, London        |
| Emma Alcorn                    | serv.  | unm | 21    | parlourmaid             | b. Tonbridge Wells, Kent  |
| Celia Burton                   | serv.  |     | 14    | nursemaid               | b. Thatfield Green, Kent  |

**1882 8<sup>th</sup> May** – E.G.Jones & others to H.W.Jones – conveyance. This suggests that Edward Gilliat Jones passed Ty Gwyn on to his younger brother Herbert Wright Jones.

**1884 14<sup>th</sup> October** – release of rent charge<sup>49</sup>

**1886 19<sup>th</sup> November** Llangollen Advertiser, Denbighshire, Merionethshire & North Wales Journal. The farm stock of Ty Gwyn was sold at auction.

**Sales by Messrs. D.Roberts & Son on Tuesday Next Nov.23<sup>rd</sup> 1886 at Ty Gwyn, Bryneglwys.**

Messrs. D.Roberts & Son will sell by Auction.

28 Head of Grand Coloury Cross-Bred Cattle, 8 Cart Horses and Cobs, Bay Carriage Horse 6 years old 13 Hands high, goes in single and double Harness and carries a lady, Bay Pony 6 off 13 3 high, Prize Trotter and carries a lady, Bay pony 3 off 13 1 high, Prize Trotter carries a lady and good in harness, 4 Mountain ponies, 9 large stacks of Prime Hay and Corn, 1½ Acres of Healthy Swedes (all crops to go off) and Modern Farming Implements, the property of Mr. Evan Evans who is leaving.

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49. op.cit.

**1887 17<sup>th</sup> September Wrexham and Denbighshire Advertiser and Cheshire Shropshire and North Wales register**

The tenant, Evan Evans had been declared bankrupt.

**WREXHAM BANKRUPTCY COURT  
Tuesday September 13<sup>th</sup>  
Before Mr. Registrar Preston  
Adjourned Cases**

In the case of Evan Evans, farmer, Ty Gwyn, Bryneglwys, the Official Receiver (Mr.W.Evans), stated that he should have to apply for a further adjournment, as there was a motion before the Judge in the matter, and he had not yet disposed of it. The case was accordingly adjourned to October 11<sup>th</sup>.

**1888 13<sup>th</sup> January – Carnarvon and Denbigh Herald and North and South Wales Independent.**

**Failure of a Welsh Farmer  
Important Decision**

On Wednesday, at the Wrexham County Court, his Honour 9Judge Lloyd) gave his decision in respect to the application of the official receiver (Mr.W.Evans), that a farmer named Michael Thomas of Llwyn Onn, Bryneglwys, should return to the trustee in the estate of a bankrupt farmer, named Evan Evans of Ty Gwyn, Bryneglwys, certain sheep, or pay the value of them. The question involved was whether the sheep were sold by Thomas to the bankrupt, or sent to his farm to graze for the winter. The evidence, his honour said, had been hopelessly conflicting, and one side or the other had put forward a story which was untrue. After careful consideration he had come to the conclusion that there was a sale of the sheep by Thomas to Evans, and he should order Thomas to pay to the bankrupt's estate the sum of £11 12s.

**1889 30<sup>th</sup> August – The Cambrian News & Merionethshire Standard**  
The Queen's visit to Wales – Mr. E. Gilliat Jones Cpt. in attendance.

By 1891, Herbert Wright Jones' wife, Sarah, had died. He was initially recorded in two places in the 1891 census – in Ty Gwyn and in Frondderw. His name in the Ty Gwyn entry was subsequently crossed out. His middle name in the Frondderw entry has been misspelt.

**1891 census**

**Frondderw, Llanycil** (PRO ref.RG12/4639)

|                             |       |       |    |                      |                            |
|-----------------------------|-------|-------|----|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Edward Gilliat Jones        | H     | unm   | 59 | J.P. Merioneth       | b. Clapham, Surrey         |
| Louisa Caroline Jones       | sist. | unm   | 57 | living on own means  | b. “                       |
| <b>Herbert Knight Jones</b> | bro.  | Widr. | 53 | farmer               | b. Marylebone, London      |
| Gilliat Herbert Jones       | neph. | unm   | 23 | student, Oxford      | b. Chipstead, Surrey       |
| Edward H.Jones              | neph. | unm   | 21 | “                    | b. “                       |
| Rosamund H.Jones            | niece | unm   | 17 |                      | b. Bryneglwys, Denb.       |
| Emma Garsley                | serv. | unm   | 30 | cook, domestic serv. | b. Horley, Shropshire      |
| Eliza Jones                 | serv. | unm   | 25 | parlourmaid, dom.ser | b. Trawsfynydd, Merioneth. |
| Winifred Roberts            | serv. | unm   | 33 | housemaid, dom.ser   | b. Llangollen, Denb.       |
| William Price               | serv. | unm   | 55 | gardener, dom.ser    | b. Llandderfel, Merioneth. |

## 1891 census

**Ty Gwyn, Bryneglwys** (PRO ref. RG12/4637)

|                               |       |      |    |                                  |                            |
|-------------------------------|-------|------|----|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Herbert (Wright) Jones</b> | H     | Wid. |    | (This name has been crossed out) |                            |
| Ann Edwards                   | serv. | unm  | 25 | servant                          | b. Llanwchllyn, Merioneth. |
| Sarah Heywood                 | serv. | unm  | 19 | servant                          | b. Corwen, Merioneth.      |
| Thomas Davies                 | serv. | unm  | 29 | agric. lab.                      | b. Llanfair, Denbigh.      |
| Robert Evans                  | serv. | unm  | 13 | stable boy                       | b. Bryneglwys, Denbigh.    |

**1899 September qtr. 1899** - Herbert remarried. His second wife was Elizabeth Kemp, who was about 28 years old. He was 60 years old. Their marriage was registered in Hendon.

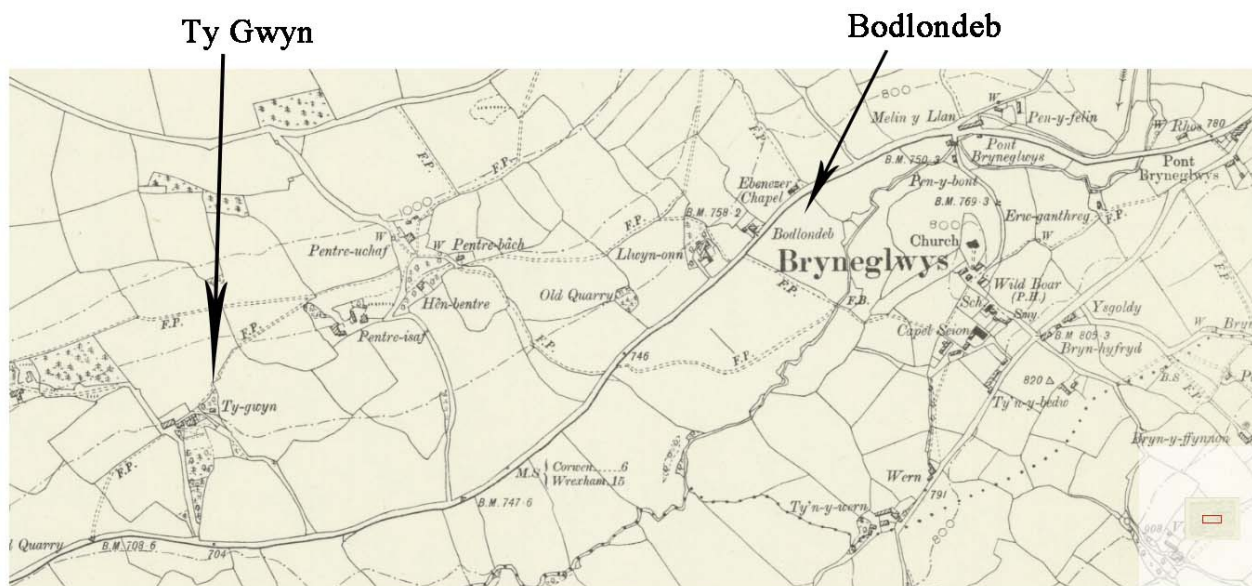
**1892 28<sup>th</sup> November** - Marriage of a farm servant at Ty Gwyn.<sup>50</sup>

Robert Davies aged 26 yrs farm servant Ty Gwyn

Eleanor Jones aged 23 yrs of Pifal Blaenial

By 1899, George Evans was the farmer at Ty Gwyn but he was not living at the farmhouse, but at Bodlondeb with his wife Ellen and daughter Eliza Jane.<sup>51</sup> Herbert Wright Jones was still living at Ty Gwyn.

**1899 5<sup>th</sup> May** - Llangollen Advertiser, Denbighshire, Merionethshire & North Wales Journal  
Spring Stock sale – Four yearlings **Mr. Geo. Evans Ty Gwyn, Bryneglwys**



George Evans had been born in Corwen and his wife and daughter in Bala.

50. Ruthin Archives – Parish registers Bryneglwys

51. 1891 census PRO ref. RG12/4637 p.3



## 20<sup>th</sup> Century

**1900 13<sup>th</sup> June** – H.W.Jones to G.Evans – tenancy agreement<sup>52</sup>

**1901 31<sup>st</sup> May - Llangollen Advertiser, Denbighshire, Merionethshire & North Wales Journal Llangollen Smithfield**

Calving Cow – Mr George Evans, Ty Gwyn, Bryneglwys realizing £17

Pair Store two year old bullocks or heifers – Mr George Evans, Ty Gwyn – Mr Charles Edwards, Plasgolbourne, Wrexham buying them at £20.

George Evans was still not living at Ty Gwyn when the 1901 census was taken on the 31<sup>st</sup> March 1901.

### 1901 census

**Bodlonddeb, Bryneglwys** (PRO ref.RG 13/5248 p.3)

|                 |       |     |    |                   |                      |       |
|-----------------|-------|-----|----|-------------------|----------------------|-------|
| George Evans    | H     | M   | 34 | farmer – employer | b. Gwyddelwern, Mer. | Welsh |
| Ellin Evans     | W     | M   | 31 |                   | b. Llanfor, Mer.     | “     |
| Lizzie J. Evans | dau   |     | 11 |                   | b. “                 | “     |
| Owen Ll. Evans  | son   |     | 4  |                   | b. Bryneglwys, Denb. | “     |
| John H.Owen     | serv. | unm | 19 | carter on farm    | b. Llangar, Mer.     | “     |

### 1901 census

**Ty Gwyn, Bryneglwys** (PRO ref.RG13/5248)

|                 |       |     |    |                     |                                       |                      |
|-----------------|-------|-----|----|---------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Herbert W.Jones | H     | M   | 62 | living on own means | b. London                             | lang. sp.<br>English |
| Elizabeth Jones | W     | M   | 30 | “                   | b. Saddington, Leics.                 | “                    |
| Ada Morris      | serv. | unm | 19 | cook, domestic      | b. Chirk, Denbigh.                    | Both                 |
| Sarah A.Mathias | serv. | unm | 17 | housemaid, domestic | b. Terebac? Durham<br>(Langdon Beck?) | English              |

**1902 March qtr.** - Herbert Wright Jones died aged 65 years. His death was registered in St.Asaph. He was buried in Bryneglwys on the 29<sup>th</sup> January 1902.

**1904** – Will of Herbert Wright Jones<sup>53</sup> of Ty Gwyn, in the pa. of Bryneglwys.

He named his 2<sup>nd</sup> wife Elizabeth and two sons – Edward Herbert Jones and John Horace Herbert Jones as Trustees to his will.

### Bequests to:-

his daughter Rosamund Emma now wife of Arthur Rivington - all my old china which belonged to my 1<sup>st</sup> wife, her mother.

his son Gilliat H. Jones – all my books

his son Edward H. Jones – my guns

his son John Horace Jones – all my sporting prints

his wife Elizabeth - £1000

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52. op.cit.

53. Will NLW ref. SA/1847/138/W Ruthin Archives ref. DD/DM/416/1

*“All my real estate and all my personal estate, with the consent of my wife, to be sold, called in and converted to money which will provide for the real and personal estate of my wife and pay for the funeral & testamentary expenses.”*

The money was to be invested .... *“to pay an income for my wife during her lifetime”* ... as long as she remained his widow. It would cease either when she died or if she remarried.

The final residue was to be shared between Edward, John and Rosamund (his children) in equal shares as tenants in common. The real property could be let whilst it remained unsold.

Probate was granted 25<sup>th</sup> February 1904 to Elizabeth Herbert Jones, widow; Edward H. Jones; John Horace Herbert Jones, the sons of Herbert Wright Jones.

Value of personal estate – under £745 .13 .0

### **1910 25<sup>th</sup> March Llangollen Advertiser, Denbighshire, Merionethshire & North Wales Journal**

Local Elections Nomination of Guardians and District Councillors  
Bryneglwys – Geo. Evans Ty Gwyn

George Evans finally purchased Ty Gwyn in 1910 from the Jones family.

**1910 28<sup>th</sup> September** – Mrs. E.H.Jones & others to Mr. **G.Evans** – conveyance

**1910 19<sup>th</sup> December** – Mr. G.Evans to Mrs. E.H.Jones & others – mortgage<sup>54</sup>

By 1911, George Evans had moved into the house.

### **1911 census**

|  |       |     |       |                  |                         |       |
|--|-------|-----|-------|------------------|-------------------------|-------|
| Ty Gwyn, Bryneglwys (PRO ref. Reg. District 625; Subdistrict 2; enumeration district 10) |       |     |       |                  |                         | lang. |
| George Evans   | H     | M   | 44    | farmer           | b. Gwyddelwern, Mer.    | both  |
| Elinor Evans   | W     | M   | 41    |                  | b. Bala, Merioneth.     | “     |
| Lizzie Jane Evans  | dau   | unm | 21    |                  | b. “                    | “     |
| Evan Edward Evans  | son   | unm | 18    | farmer's son     | b. Bryneglwys, Mer.     | “     |
| Owen Lloyd Evans   | son   |     | 14    |                  | b. “                    | “     |
| Herbert Evans  | son   |     | 6     |                  | b. “                    |       |
| Helena Evans   | dau   |     | 4     |                  | b. “                    |       |
| Dorothy Gwenda Evans   | dau   |     | 2mths |                  | b. “                    |       |
| Enoch Jones  | serv. | unm | 23    | waggoner on farm | b. Llanarmon, Denbigh.  | “     |
| Simon Jones  | serv. | unm | 22    | cowman on farm   | b. Llanelidan, Denbigh. | “     |
| John Brown   | serv. | unm | 26    | farm labourer    | b. Carnarvon, Carnarvon | “     |

George and Elinor were recorded as having been married for 21 years. They had had 8 children born alive, 6 were still living; 2 had died.

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54. *ibid.*

George Evans died in 1841.

### Electoral Rolls<sup>55</sup>

**1945** (ref.QSD/DK/2/291)

|     |                       |                             |
|-----|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| 18  | David E.Davies        |                             |
| 60  | Alice Elizabeth Evans |                             |
| 63  | Evan Evans            | (son of George Evans)       |
| 170 | Joan M.Percival       | (wife of Joseph Percival)   |
| 195 | Mildred R. Wells      | (? sister of Joan Percival) |

At some point, Joseph and Joan Percival purchased the property, probably soon after the death of George Evans. Joseph intended to raise stock there for his butcher's shops in Runcorn, Widnes. Joseph L. Percival had married Joan M.Wells in the December quarter 1941.

The Electoral Roll (above) also includes George Evan's son, Evan Evans, It seems that he continued to live in the house after the Percivals had acquired the farm. Alice Elizabeth Evans may have been Evan's wife. Mildred R.Wells was born in 1916 and so was probably Joan's sister. The Percivals lived in Ty Gwyn for a while but eventually let it to a farm manager.

**1950** (ref.QSD/DK/2/299)

|             |                          |
|-------------|--------------------------|
| ref.no. 185 | Joan M.Percival          |
| 186         | Joseph Lewis Percival    |
| 216         | Mildred Wells            |
| 241         | John Frederick Woodhouse |



Ty Gwyn – 1952 – Coflein cat. no. C404752  
before the large chimney was reduced in size

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55. *ibid.* ref.QSD/DK/2/291

**1955** (ref.QSD/DK/2/304)

|             |                  |
|-------------|------------------|
| ref.no. 148 | Gwyneth Jones    |
| 153         | Ifor Lloyd Jones |

In about 1955/56, Albert and Vera Meddings and their three children moved in. Albert had been employed as the farm manager.

**1960** (ref.QSD/DK/2/312)

|             |                   |
|-------------|-------------------|
| ref.no. 160 | Albert W.Meddings |
| 161         | Vera Meddings     |



The Meddings Family<sup>56</sup>



Front and back views of the house in the 1960s

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56. Photographs supplied by Janet Tozer

K. Meddings, one of the children, has provided a very graphic description of the house, garden and farm when the family moved in.

“We found the house and farm had clearly been through a period of very great hardship; there were more than 100 carcasses of dead animals on the (then) 250 acres, fallen trees were left to block farm roads, hedges were overgrown, old machinery, and equipment for working the farm with horses, was simply lying where it had been dropped, only one churn of milk was going each day, and there was one ancient tractor. It was subsistence farming, at best.

The house was filthy. Dogs had been kept in some bedrooms in the old part of the house, and that clutter had even spilled into some of what should have been domestic rooms. Farm machinery and miscellaneous broken things were stacked, rusty and useless, in the farm buildings and in what should have been domestic rooms in the house. One wooden barrel, I recall, was stuffed with broken scythes and old shotguns. My parents were not squeamish, but we three stayed with grandparents for a few days until it was a bit cleaner. Nothing had been spent on the house for some while, beyond essential and botched cheap repairs.

The house itself, i.e the oldest part, was laid out as follows:-

Ground floor – The Main Lounge had a large fireplace and plastered walls; There was no sign of the slate filled walls; and a fine tiled floor which was difficult to date; to the left of the fireplace was a stud wall, enclosing a small chamber with a window. The piano and the phone lived in there. In my opinion, based on many years of thought and study, is that there may well have been a stair from there to the first floor curving behind the fireplace, similar to the old house by the bridge at Llanrwst. (now a café). Between the two downstairs rooms, there was a ancient wooden screen then hidden behind a stud wall.

There were no carpets in the house, and no electricity or heating of course. Drainage was modern, and waste went into a cess pit in the kitchen garden, and it used a private water system. There was a very good natural water supply; in 5 years it only petered out once. It flowed into a large (concrete?) tank just above the house. It also fed the garden stream and pool, and then went underground and ended up in the river at the valley bottom. There were two bathrooms and another toilet with a washbasin.

The next room, a step up into the service area of the original house, had an Aga at the wall next to the C18<sup>th</sup> extension. (Near-to-death lambs used to be placed in the bottom warming oven in a cardboard box with the door left open. The warmth often saved them.) There were two windows, and one to the north. I also seem to remember a quarry-tiled floor. On the wall was a cabinet which had the bells for summoning servants to the 'posh' bit of the house.

A door led out (step up) of the 1447 part of the house to a scullery at the end of the C19<sup>th</sup> addition, and a pantry, well sited as it was cool and got no sun. From there a staircase led to the first floor. Beyond the scullery was a large concrete floored room that served as an outhouse, and had had some food preparation function and the back door, which in practice was the every day door. This was where the wellies lived.

The upper floor of the C19<sup>th</sup> extension was mostly given over to a shambolic workshop and mice. It was approached from below only by a ladder. Walking entry was by a door that led out of the back of the building. A smaller wooden-walled area of the C19<sup>th</sup> extension was a bedroom, accessed from the stairs that led to the first floor of the old house. There were chickens in this bedroom when we arrived. In fact they were effectively in the house.

The stairs leading to the end of the 1447 building led to a narrow and dark corridor, with a small single bedroom on the left (with visible cruck timbers) and the bathroom on the right. The corridor turned sharp right, and led to the door into the C18<sup>th</sup> wing, so entry to the bathroom was then to the right, and entry to the two bedrooms with the most cruck timbers to be seen, were on the left. The next bedroom, which contained the other end of the arch, only extended as far as the cruck, where a fireplace was installed, and an odd cupboard. This made me think that behind the walled off section there was a "smoke chamber" of some sort, as it was above the fireplace. I also wondered, later, whether it was simply a walled up end of a staircase. To be honest, I always thought that the cupboard might have been a priest-hole, as the entrance was only picture-sized and the interior was easily big enough for a small adult to get into. Indeed, I did get into many times and banged on walls to see if I got echoes. It may indeed have been a priest hole, though we have no idea how the entrance was disguised if it was. It is certainly a cupboard that could provide storage for valuables etc. In fact we put nothing in it, except me sometimes, because it was narrow, and deep and the entrance was tiny. I wonder whether getting into the roof would provide clues looking down.

As for the C18<sup>th</sup> wing, there was a really impressive staircase which originally went one floor higher. A further flight had been removed and the plaster and paint work had not been made good, so you could see its path in the walls.

There was an extensive cellar under the ground floor of the C18<sup>th</sup> wing, and a ground floor sitting room off the stairwell, a first floor bedroom that was my parents room, and another bedroom over it, which was sometimes mine, and sometimes used by live-in workers. At one time there had been some accommodation above that, although it is not clear how that was lit.

Just up the first flight of stairs was a door into a separate single story annexe to the rear, with a washroom, kitchen, bed-sitting room and an exterior door. This was used while we were there as accommodation for live-in workers. At one stage this included an Italian couple with a baby. This may have once been a housekeeper's accommodation.

When we arrived, the large chimney on the C15<sup>th</sup> part (see photo p.35) had been reduced, the roofs were repaired, there was no ivy, and the walls had had attention. The windows on the top floor of the C18<sup>th</sup> extension had been replaced by "modern" ones, and the fancy barge boards on that section were gone, too. The Percivals had attempted to improve the condition of the house and had at least made it watertight.

In general, though, the house and farm were in an poor state in 1956. When we left, it was in much better order.

Outside, the separation between the domestic part of the property and the farm had broken down. Farm traffic came up the "house road" from the B5104, and the "farm road" was little used as it was often running with effluent from the cowsheds and drainage was poor. Access up the "house road" and round the back to the farm buildings (by carriage or later car) was also disused through drainage problems. Consequently, farm traffic came across in front of the house, through what had been a turning area with partially laid-out borders. The kitchen garden was a jungle and the "sunken garden" had pigs in it.

The "sunken garden" was just below the house, with a fine brick retaining wall about 8 feet high, and steps from the front of the house to the garden, now filled in as a steep soil slope. There were high brick walls on one side of the garden, masking the "farm drive" from view, and a tennis court, with uprights for the net still there. Further down there had been several terraces, ending with a man

made pool around 20 metres long, once sporting a decorative island. I mention this as evidence of another period of prosperity after the C18<sup>th</sup> wing, though I could not date it. Looking at it as an adult who likes gardens, I would guess that it had been more or less intact pre 2nd world war, but dated from C19<sup>th</sup>.

Two very big lime trees had been planted at some stage, at each end of the area in front of the house. They had got so big that their roots needed space that was cut away by the sunken garden, and accordingly one night in about 1960 one of them came down, just managing to land in the angle between the C18<sup>th</sup> wing and the C15<sup>th</sup> one, so the only damage was some scraping of walls and broken glass. The tree measured 90 feet. I wonder how long it would take for two lime trees to reach that sort of height. That might be a clue to when they were planted and by whom.

Oral history tells me that the Percival siblings we knew from about 1955/6 to 1961 i.e. two married brothers and one sister, had inherited Ty Gwyn from their father, who had bought it, (date unknown) intending to raise stock there for his butcher's shops in Runcorn, Widnes. My memory is that that the arrangement was said to have never worked. Oral history again said that one brother had "tried to farm it" after war service but was overcome by the difficulties. The Percivals had bought it from the Evans family.

The farm incorporates two other former farms, Lletty Wynne and Nant, and had done for many years. Lletty Wynne and Nant would have been habitable at that time; they were in decent condition in 1956. It is quite possible that some of the farm workers would have been able to live there.

In 1955, Ifor and Gwynneth Jones, lived in the house. They were relatives of a school friend. They also "managed" it for the Percivals, with a part-time shepherd of spectacular laziness and uselessness, who I saw being sacked in a lively manner. They did not have the time or the money to improve the property, because the farm was not providing a very adequate income, and the Percivals had only carried out the most essential repairs on the house. My parents set to work to get the house and farm into a working state.

The Percival brother who had tried to farm it never visited but the married sister came occasionally, and the third brother came most Wednesdays, with his family. They walked the land with sticks and walking shoes. Things that we country children had never seen before and thought were most odd. They used the main downstairs room of the C18<sup>th</sup> house as their bed sitting room, with their two sons. At that time the C18<sup>th</sup> house had Georgian windows and working shutters on the ground and first floor. Elsewhere in the house, except for the single story extension at the back, the window frames were wooden, and had been of good standard, but were not in good condition.

My father took the job of farm manager in about 1955/6. He had had a tenancy on a farm on Lord Stafford's estate. He was a good farmer, from successful farming stock in Staffordshire and Shropshire and had a good work ethic and a sound farming knowledge. Consequently, he turned the place around. By bringing in Clun forest and later Border Leicester tups, he built up the formerly poor sheep stock from averaging well under one lamb per ewe to over two. The farm began to make money, and steady improvements were made (milking parlour, replaced cowsheds, etc). No money was spent on the house except basic repairs. There was no electricity in the house, and we did not miss it, the lighting was small oil lamps which we carried around at bedtime. We also had larger "Tilly" lamps which hissed and had to be pumped and two "Aladdin " lamps. This wasn't detrimental in any way. My sisters and I did our homework by lamplight and we all got to university.

In 1960/1, the Percival sister tried to arrange for her brother to buy out her share of the farm. It was now in a saleable condition. My father arranged with his brother to buy the farm outright, or at least to buy the portion owned by the sister, but instead a public auction sale was arranged.

Tom Davies bought it, for about £25,000, although 30 acres were sold separately.”

**1963** (ref.QSD/DK/2/316)

|            |                 |
|------------|-----------------|
| ref.no. 29 | Betty Davies    |
| 69         | Thomas E.Davies |
| 188        | Robert Vaughan  |

**1970** (ref.QSD/DK/2/332)

|             |                 |
|-------------|-----------------|
| ref.no. 152 | Betty Davies    |
| 153         | Thomas E.Davies |
| 154         | Robert Vaughan  |

“I have visited a few times since I left. On one occasion, I discovered that Lletty Wynne had been demolished and a modern bungalow had been built near the house. The cow sheds were rubble, and so was the earlier barn. This was very big with two huge doors in the middle so that carts could be driven in and unloaded. It may have been C18<sup>th</sup> or early C19<sup>th</sup>.

By this time, the house had been split into two, by closing off the ground and first floor doors from the C15<sup>th</sup> house into the C18<sup>th</sup> wing. Time goes on, and we were so lucky to spend a little of our time in such a wonderful place.”<sup>57</sup>

Current owners: The Davies family

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Gill. Jones & Ann Morgan  
April 2019

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57. K.Meddings



## The Lordship of Iâl

*N.B. This has been compiled from numerous sources including Peter Bartrum, Lewys Dwnn, Powys Fadog, Ancient Welsh Studies, J.Y.W.Lloyd. They do not all agree on the details and so this is just one version.*

The family was descended from Cynddelw Gam, Llywarch Hen and Coel Hen

**Llewelyn Aurdorchog** m. Efa vch Cynfin

Lord of Iâl

b.abt 1005

I

**Llewelyn Fychan** (aka Llewelyn ap Dolffin)

m. Annes vch Cadwgan

Lord of Iâl, Lord of the manor of Ucheldref, Gwyddelwern

b.abt 1035

I

**Gwenllian** vch Llewelyn m. Ithel ap Eunydd Lord of Dyffryn Clwyd

I

**Ithel Fychan**

Lord of Iâl

I

**Hwfa**

Lord of Iâl & Ystrud Alun

m.

**Elen/Alswyn** d/o Gruffydd ap Cynan

I

King of Gwynedd

I

I

I

I

I

**Heilin ap Eunydd**

Lord of Dyffryn Clwyd

**Heunydd** m. **Maredudd ap Bleddyn**

(Appendix 2)

prince of Powys

I

**Madog ap Maredudd**

last King of United Powys

I

I

**Gruffydd Maelor**

Lord of Bromfield & Iâl

Gruffydd Maelor eventually  
acquired the Lordship of Iâl

**Caswallon**

Lord of Iâl

**Ithel “y wyrion”**

**aka Y Gwion**

Lord of Iâl

lost Iâl to Gruffydd Maelor

**Iorwerth**

**Ionas**

**Goronwy**

**Howel Foel** of Cymo

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**Ieuaf**

ancestor of Bryneglwys families

I

Y Gwion Gam

I

Ithel

I

Gwilym

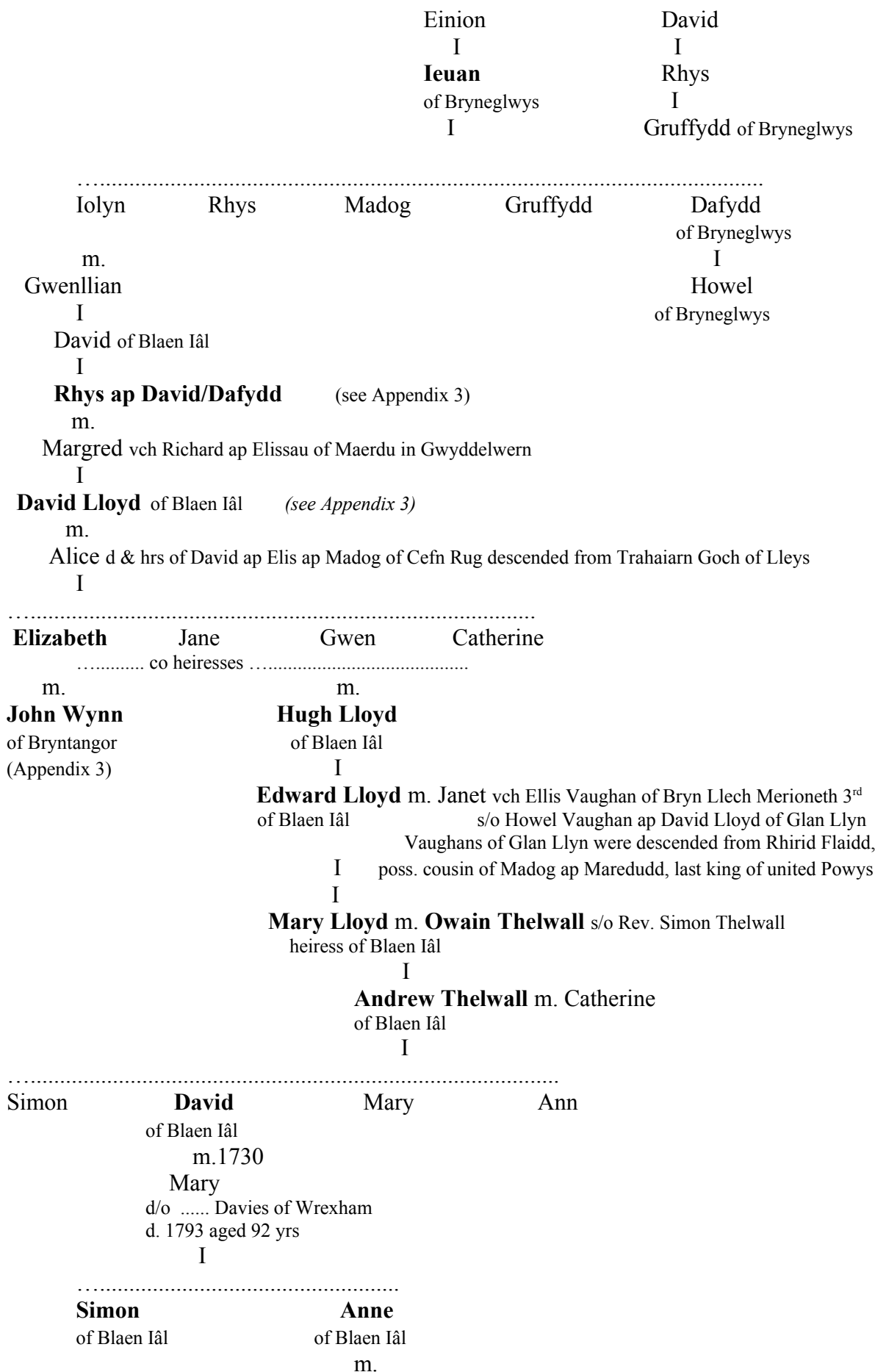
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**Cadwgan**

I

**Gruffydd** ancestor of the  
Lloyds of Llanarmon yn Iâl

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**John Lloyd** s/o Critchley Lloyd of Rhyd Wrial Llan rhudd  
of Blaen Iâl

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**Col. John Lloyd (Salisbury)** m. Anna Maria  
of Rhyd Wrial & inherited Galltfaenan  
from his mother's cousin Margaret hrs.  
who married John Jones

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.....  
**Anna Maria**

Frances

m.

**Townsend Mainwaring**

of Galltfaenan and Blaen Iâl

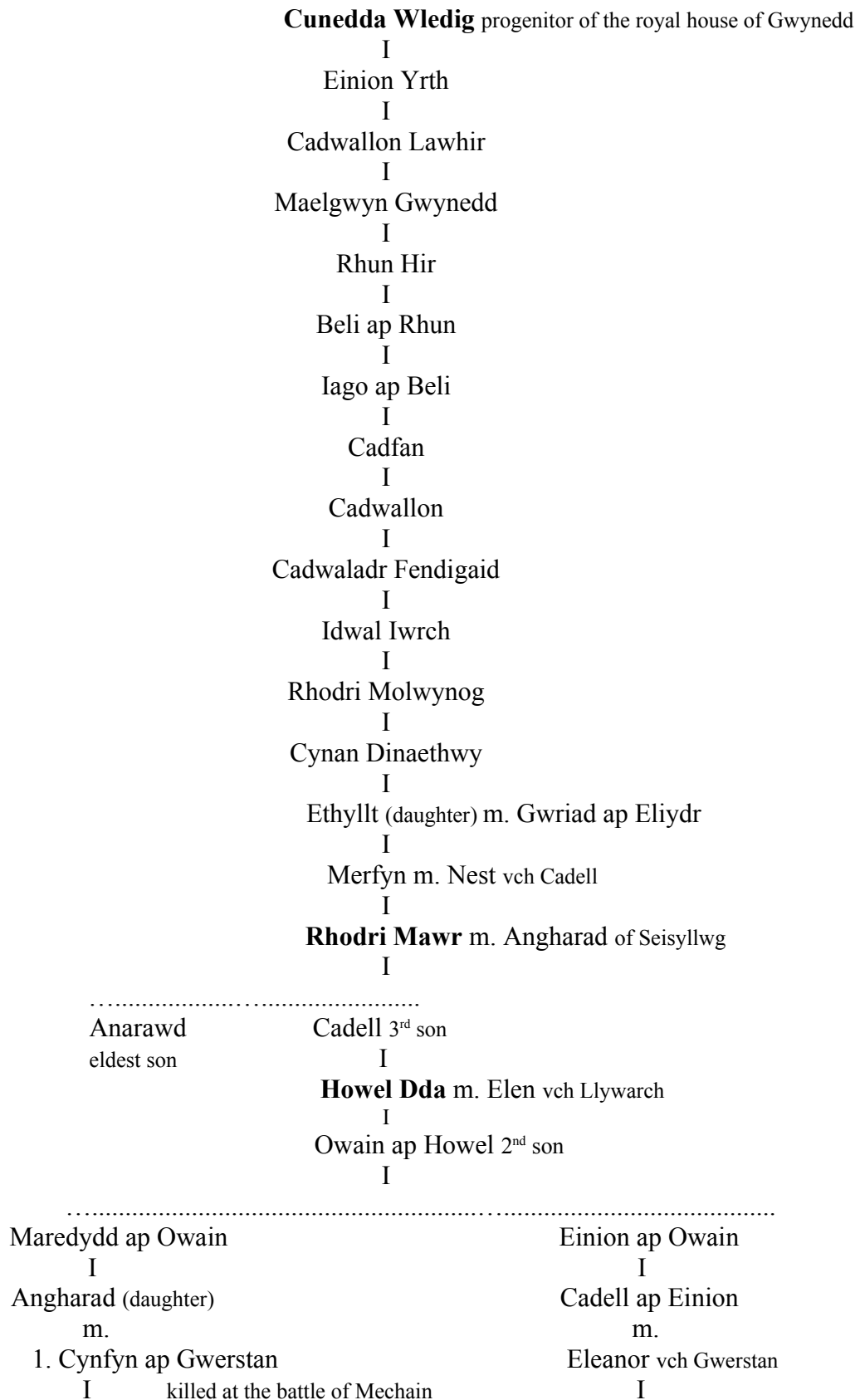
N.B. "Hugh Lloyd became possessed of the Blaen Iâl estate (through his marriage to Gwen 3<sup>rd</sup> daughter of David Lloyd), which still belongs to his heir and representative, the present Mrs. Townsend Mainwaring of Galltfaenan and Blaen Iâl. "

The History of the Lordship of Maelor Gymraeg or Bromfield, The Lordship of Iâl or Yale, and Chirkland.  
J.Y.W.Lloyd Arch. Cambs. January 1876 p.177

N.B. "Colonel John Lloyd succeeded to the Blaen Iâl estate on the death of his cousin, Humphrey Thelwall Jones, who was an undergraduate at Oxford at the time of his death; and to the Gallt Faenan estate at the death of his relative, Mrs Jones of that place.Ob.27 March 1852, and is interred at Henllan in Rhufoniog."

The History of the Lordship of Maelor Gymraeg or Bromfield, The Lordship of Iâl or Yale, and Chirkland. continued -  
J.Y.W.Lloyd Arch. Cambs. January 1875 p.325-327

## The Royal House of Cunedda



|   |   |                      |
|---|---|----------------------|
| I   | m.2 Llewelyn ap Seisyllt                    | I                    |
| I   |   | I                    |
| <hr/>   |   |                      |
| Bleddyn ap Cynfyn                               | Rhiwallon ap Cynfyn                         | Tudur Mawr ap Cadell |
| I   | I   | m.                   |
| I   | I   | Gwenllian vch Gwyn   |
| I   | I   | I                    |
| <b>Mareddydd ap Bleddyn</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> son | Gladys ..... m. ....                        | Rhys ap Tewdwr       |
| m.  |   |                      |
| <b>Heunydd vch Ithel Fychan</b> (Appendix 1)    |   |                      |
| I   | I   |                      |
| <hr/>   |   |                      |
| <b>Madog ap Mareddydd</b> Gruffydd              | Hywel                                       | Nest (daughter)      |
| last king of united Powys                       | Lord of Rhos killed 1140                    |                      |
| m.  | m.  | m.                   |
| Susanna   |   | Gerald Fitzwalter    |
| vch Gruffydd ap Cynan                           | I   |                      |
| I   | I   |                      |
| <b>Gruffydd Maelor I</b>                        | Angharad                                    |                      |
| m.  | d. & hrs                                    |                      |
| Angharad  |   |                      |
| I   |   |                      |
| Madog ap Gruffydd Maelor                        |   |                      |
| I   |   |                      |
| Gruffydd Maelor II ap Madog                     | Lord of Dinas Bran & Prince of Powys Fadog  |                      |
| I   |   |                      |
| <b>Gruffydd Fychan I</b>                        | Lord of Glyndyfrdwy and Îal                 |                      |
| I   |   |                      |
| Madog Crypl m. Margaret vch Rhys Fychan         |   |                      |
| I   |   |                      |
| Madog Fychan ap Madog Crupl Gloff               | m. Gwenllian vch Ithel Fychan               |                      |
|   | I   |                      |
| <b>Gruffydd Fychan II</b>                       | m. Elen vch Tomos ap Llewelyn of Deheubarth |                      |
|   | I   |                      |
| <hr/>   |   |                      |
| Owain Glyndŵr                                   | <b>Tudur ap Gruffydd</b>                    |                      |
| b.abt.1354 -c.1414                              | killed at Pwll Melyn 1405                   |                      |
|   | Lord of Gwyddelwern                         |                      |
|   | m.  |                      |
|   | Maud vch Ieuaf                              |                      |
|   | I   |                      |
|   | <b>Lowrie</b>                               |                      |
|   | m.  |                      |
|   | 1. Robert ap Robin ap Gruffudd Goch         |                      |
|   | Lord of Rhos                                |                      |
|   | <b>2. Gruffydd ap Einion</b>                |                      |
|   | of Corsegedol                               |                      |
|   | Lord of Gwyddelwern                         |                      |
|   | cont. Appendix 3                            |                      |

## The Ancestors of Elisau ap Gruffydd ap Einion

|   |  |  |                     |        |                       |
|---|--|--|---------------------|--------|-----------------------|
| Dominus Otho Gherandini of Tuscany  | ]  |  |                     |        |                       |
| I   | ]  | <i>the links between these three generations</i> |                     |        |                       |
| .....   | ]  | <i>are not proven</i>                            |                     |        |                       |
| Otho fitz Otho Gherandini of Normandy   | ]  | <i>Otho fitz Otho is not included in some</i>    |                     |        |                       |
| I   | ]  | <i>pedigrees.</i>                                |                     |        |                       |
| .....   | ]  |  |                     |        |                       |
| Walter Fitzotho (Fitzother) of Windsor  | ]  |  |                     |        |                       |
| Norman follower of William the Conqueror  |  |  |                     |        |                       |
| I   |  |  |                     |        |                       |
| .....   |  |  |                     |        |                       |
| Gerald Fitzwalter of Windsor m. Nest vch Rhys ap Tewdwr the last king of Deheubarth, S. Wales<br>former mistress of Henry I and had children by him |  |  |                     |        |                       |
| I   |  |  |                     |        |                       |
| .....   |  |  |                     |        |                       |
| William   | Maurice Fitzgerald   | David  | Angharad            |        |                       |
|   | Lord Llanstephan   |  | m.                  |        |                       |
|   | Norman lord who invaded Ireland  |  | William de Barri    |        |                       |
|   | Progenitor of the Irish 'Geraldines'   |  | I                   |        |                       |
|   | the most famous of the Norman Irish  |  | .....               |        |                       |
|   | families with extensive estates in   |  | Giraldus Cambrensis |        |                       |
|   | Leinster and Kildare.  |  | (Gerald of Wales)   |        |                       |
|   | m.   |  |                     |        |                       |
|   | Alice de Montgomery  |  |                     |        |                       |
|   | I  |  |                     |        |                       |
| .....   |  |  |                     |        |                       |
| Gerald  | Thomas   | Alexander  | Maurice             | Walter | Nesta                 |
|   | Fitzmaurice  |  |                     |        |                       |
|   | Lord Connello  |  |                     |        |                       |
|   | I  |  |                     |        |                       |
|   | John Fitzthomas Fitzgerald m. 1. Margery/Margaret Fitzanthony                  |  |                     |        |                       |
|   | Lord of Decies and Desmond   |  |                     |        |                       |
|   | I  |  |                     |        |                       |
|   | Osborn 'Wyddel' (Irish) Fitzgerald m. Agatha of Castille hrs of of Corsegedol, |  |                     |        |                       |
|   | I  |  |                     |        | Merionethshire, Wales |
|   | Cynwrig ap Osbern Wyddel m. Nest vch Vynfrig ap Madog                          |  |                     |        |                       |
|   | of Corsegedol  |  |                     |        |                       |
|   | I  |  |                     |        |                       |
|   | Llewelyn ap Cynwrig ap Osbern m. Nest vch Griffith ap Adda of Dolgoch          |  |                     |        |                       |
|   | of Corsegedol  |  |                     |        |                       |
|   | I  |  |                     |        |                       |
|   | Gruffydd ap Llewelyn m. 1. Efa vch Madog ap Ellis                              |  |                     |        |                       |
|   | of Corsegedol  |  |                     |        |                       |
|   | m. 2. Tanglwst vch Rhydderch ap Evan Llwyd ap Evan                             |  |                     |        |                       |
|   | I  |  |                     |        |                       |
|   | Einion ap Gruffydd m. Gwenllian vch Cynwrig                                    |  |                     |        |                       |
|   | of Corsegedol b. Gelli Iorwerth, Trawsfynydd                                   |  |                     |        |                       |

I

Gruffydd ap Einion 2<sup>nd</sup> son  
of Gwyddelwern  
m.

Lowri vch Tudur ap Gryffydd Fychan  
killed in battle May 1405 at Pwll Melyn

I

**Elise(Elisau) ap Gruffydd ap Einion** m. Margaret (Angharad) d & cohers of Jenkin ap  
b.1440 of Maerdy, Gwyddelwern Ieuan of Allt Llwyn Dragon later Plas yn Iâl

I

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|---|
| <b>David Llwyd</b><br>of Allt Llwyn Dragon<br>in Ardudwy<br>eldest son b.1487<br>m.<br>Gwenhwyfer<br>vch Richard Lloyd ap<br>Robert Lloyd of Llwyn y Maen<br>I<br>.....<br>John Wynn Yale<br>b.1531 of Plas yn Iâl<br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><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## Hughes Family of Gwerclas

Madog ap Maredudd last king of united Powys

I

Owain Brongyntyn illegitimate son Lord of Edeyrnion & Dinmael

I

Iorwerth of Llangar Lord of Edeyrnion & part of Gwyddelwern

m.

Efa vch Madoc hr of Madoc ap Gwenwynwyn, Lord of Mawddwy

I

Gruffydd Baron of Edeyrnion

I

Dafydd

I

Llewelyn Ddu 2<sup>nd</sup> Baron

m.

Anne vch Ieuan ap Iorwerth of Llanwyllan, Merioneth

I

Ifan (Ieuan)

I

Rhys Baron of Cymmer, Crogen & Branas

m.

Angharad d & hrs of Howel ap Maurice Vychan 8<sup>th</sup> Lord of Nannau

I

Dafydd of Cymmer yn Edeyrnion died by 1444

m.

Mali vch Evan ap Einion ap Gruffydd of Corsegedol

I

Gruffydd Vychan baron of Cymmer

m.

Margaret vch Meredydd ap Iolyn ap Ieuan Gethin ap Madog Kyffin

I

William baron of Cymmer

m. Margaret vch Meredydd ap David ap Einion Vychan of Melai

I

.....  
Lowri

m.

Gruffydd 5<sup>th</sup> s/o Robert ap Gruffydd  
of Maesmor

Hugh ap William baron of Cymmer & Gwerclas  
born before 1536

m.

Ales vch Richard ap Thomas ap Edward of Caerfallwch

I

.....  
Humphrey Hughes  
of Gwerclas  
bur.4/5/1682  
married twice but died without issue

Richard d.1631  
Baron  
m.

Francesca Volpe  
d/o Giovanni Volpe of Italy  
d.1636

I



Humphrey Hughes

b.1605

11<sup>th</sup> baron of Gwerclas noted in  
the Notitiae for Gwerclas 1681

b.14/8/1655

1615 m. 10 yrs old & 13 yrs of age

Magdalene d & hrs of John

Rogers Wynn of Bryn Tangor

I

.....  
9 sons & 6 daughters

eldest surviving son – Thomas Hughes cpt in service of Charles I

Catherine

b.1634 d.1670

m.

1. Mary d/o John Griffith of Hendreforforydd

m.

John Maesmor of

2. Margaret d/o Thomas Griffiths of Plas Einion

Maesmor, Dinmael

I

.....  
**Hugh Hughes**

of Gwerclas & Bryntangor

burnt documents following

a dispute with his neighbours.

m.

1. Dorothy d/o Thomas Yale of Plas yn Yale

I

2. Jane d/o John Maesmor his cousin

I

.....  
Dorothy Hughes

Catherine

Magdalen

hrs of Gwerclas & Bryntangor

ob.innut 18/8/1783

d.27/8/1732

m.

Edward Lloyd of Plymog, Denbighshire

d.16/4/1742

## The Vaughan Family of Moel Fodig/Vodig, Corwen & the Jones Family of Ty Gwyn

|                          |                          |                          |   |                         |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|-------------------------|
| Evan                     |                          | m. Margaret vch Thomas   | <b>Evan Hughes</b> gent.<br>of Blaen Yale |                         |
|                          |                          | I                        |   |                         |
| .....                    |                          |                          | .....                                     |                         |
| <b>David Jones</b>       | m. 1707                  | Margaret vch Evan        | <b>William Vaughan</b>                    | m. Margaret Hughes      |
| of Ty Gwyn               |                          |                          | of Moel Fodig, Trewyn, Corwen             |                         |
|                          | I                        |                          | will 1732                                 |                         |
|                          | I                        |                          |   | I                       |
| .....                    |                          |                          | .....                                     |                         |
| <b>Margaret Jones</b>    |                          |                          | <b>David Vaughan</b> gent                 | <b>Margaret Vaughan</b> |
| hrs Ty Gwyn estate       |                          |                          | of Moel Vodig                             |                         |
| bap.16/9/1710 Bryneglwys |                          |                          | bur.2/4/1748 Will dated 1733              |                         |
| m. ....                  |                          | m.                       |   | m.                      |
|                          | I                        |                          |   | <b>John Lloyd</b>       |
|                          | I                        |                          |   | of Caenog               |
|                          |                          |                          |   | I                       |
| .....                    |                          |                          | .....                                     |                         |
| <b>Rev. William</b>      | <b>Rev. Edward</b>       | <b>Grace Vaughan</b>     | <b>John Lloyd</b>                         |                         |
| <b>Vaughan Pugh</b>      | <b>Vaughan Pugh</b>      | bap.2/9/1748             |   |                         |
| memorial in              |                          | bur. 3/6/1820 aged 71    |   |                         |
| Bryneglwys church        | of Ty Gwyn               | Will dated 1820          |   |                         |
| bur. 7/8/ 1758           | H.S.1766                 | Proved 1852              |   |                         |
|                          | Merioneth                | of Ty Gwyn               |   |                         |
|                          | inherited Ty Gwyn estate | inherited Ty Gwyn estate |   |                         |
|                          | from his mother          | from her brother         |   |                         |
|                          | bur.1/6/1781             |                          |   |                         |

## Appendix 6

**William Vaughan** of Moel Fodig/Vodig, Trewyn, Corwen – will 1732<sup>58</sup>

*N.B. A section of the righthand side of the will is missing*

In the name of God Amen. The four and twentieth day of April in the fifth year of the Reign of our sovereign Lord George the second by the Grace of God of Great Britain, France and Ireland King, Defender of the Faith. 3? Aug Dei one thousand seven hundred thirty and two. I William Vaughan of Moel Fodig in the parish of Corwen and County of Merioneth in the Diocese of St.Asaph gent being weak in body but of a sound and perfect memory and disposing mind praised be God ..... same as touching such worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to ..... withhall, I give order and dispose of the same as followeth Imprimis ..... devise and bequeath unto my very good friends Edward Wynne of ..... in the County of Salop gent and David Ellis of Llwydiart in the parish ..... Lanfihangell in the County of Montgomery gent All my real estate ..... Moel Fodig and elsewhere upon Trust and confidante nevertheless ..... their reposed that they or the survivor or survivors of them or the ..... of such survivors of them or the heyres of the survivors of them sh..... as soon as conveniently may be after my decease give and ..... all the aforesaid real estate called Moel Fodig situate, lying and ..... the township of Trewin in the said County of Merioneth now in my ..... and occupation together with all my under tenants, lands & app..... whatsoever unto my well beloved wife Margaret Vaughan for and duri..... her natural life Provided she dyes my widdow, if she marryes ..... husband my will is that my said son David Vaughan shall inher..... whole estate within three months next after mariage and ..... the same as my right heyres & to the heyres of his body for ever. Yielding and paying to his mother Margaret Vaughan six pounds of current money yearly on the first day of May after marriage as aforesaid. And in default of such I give to my son David Vaughan. I give devise and bequeath all my lands herein before mentioned to Edward Lloyd son of John Lloyd of Trewin in the County of Merioneth, gent & his heirs for ever. And in default of such issue to the use and behoofe of Edward Lloyd son of Humphrey Lloyd of Gyfos in the same County gent and his heyres for ever And further my will & meaning is that Edward Lloyd son of the said John Lloyd of Trewin or such person or persons claiming such heyres shall come to enjoy and inheritt the said estate herein before mentioned then and in such case the sume of two hundred pounds shall be paid out of my said estate to my said Trustees or the survivors of them ..... be immediately paid unto my ..... Syna Foulkes of Llanvilling (*Llanfyllin*) in the County of Montgomery widow or Syna Vaughan the wife of John Morris now of Hanwood in the County of Salop ..... to be divided amongst them share and share alike. And in default of such as ..... To the use & behoofe of the right heyres of the said John Morris for ever. Item I give unto my son David Vaughan the sume of three hundred pounds and all the Implements of Husbandry

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58. NLW ref. SA/1732/23/W

..... to be paid him within six months after my decease. Item I give to  
..... son in law John Lloyd of Caynog one shilling And to to my daughter  
Margaret his wife one shilling And to my grandson John Lloyd one  
shilling And as touching all the rest of my goods cattle & chattles & all  
other of my personal estate I give and bequeath the same unto my  
loving wife Margaret Vaughan whom I doe nominate constitute and  
appoint sole executrix of this my last will and testament. And I doe hereby  
..... annull or make void all former will or wills by me heretofore  
..... declared. In witness whereof I William Vaughan have .....  
hereunto sett my hand and seale the day of year within written.

Sealed published and declared  
in the presence of  
Evan Foulk  
Foulk Morris  
Rob. Owens

William Vaughan

*all signed their own names*

*Notes:*

*Syna Foulkes of Llanfyllin d/o Hugh ap John of Pentregaer married Thomas Edwards.*

*Syna Vaughan married John Morris of Hanwood*

*A Syna Morris was buried June 1637 Hanwood, Salop*

*Edward Wynne of Salop*

*David Ellis of Llwydiart, Llanfihangel, Montgomeryshire*

*Edward Lloyd son of John Lloyd of Trewin, Corwen, Merionethshire*

*Edward Lloyd son of Humphrey Lloyd of Gyfos, Merionethshire*

## Appendix 7

### David Vaughan Will 1749 (NLW re. SA/1749/13/W)

I David Vaughan of Moelvodig in the township of Trewin parish of Corwen and County of Merioneth being of perfect mind and sound memory doe make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. Imprimis I give devise and bequeath all that my messuage tenement and lands called Moelvodig and all closes ..... and ..... of lands meadows and pastures thereunto belonging with all ..... water courses and advantages whatsoever with the ..... situate lying and being in the said township of Trewin and now in the holding and occupation of the said David Vaughan his under tenants and assigns unto my trusty and beloved friends and relations, Robert Vaughan of Hengwrt esq. Maurice Lloyd of Pale gent and Humphrey Pryce of ..... and now agent at Rûg and their heirs and assigns so they ..... to hold all and singular the said messuage lands hereditaments and purposes with appurtenances in Trewin aforesaid unto the said Robert Vaughan, Maurice Lloyd and Humphrey Pryce and to the survivor and survivors of them and by and from heirs, forever in Trust nevertheless to and for the severall use and uses following (that is to say) from and after my decease to the use and behooffe of my son William Vaughan for his life and to the heirs of his body lawfully issueing and for default of such issue to the use and behooffe of the first the second third of my other son or sons of my body lawfully issueing and for default of such issue then to the use and behooffe of the first , second and third ..... other daughter and daughters of me the said David Vaughan lawfully issueing the older of such son and sons and daughter and daughters allways to be preferred before the youngest And for default of such sons to the use and behooffe of John onely and eldest son of John Lloyd of Caenog and Margaret his wife my sister and to the heirs of his body lawfully issueing and for default of such to the use and behooffe of my right heirs by mothers side forever And to and for no other use and intent or purpose whatsoever Item I give devise and bequeath all my personall estate of what nature or kind soever the same shall be at the time of my decease unto my said now living son William Vaughan and after to and amongst all other child or children that chance to have (by my present or any other wife or wives) living at the time of my decease And if it happens that I may dye having noe sons living at my death Then my will and meaning ..... and I doe hereby leave and bequeath All my personal estate unto my loveing mother to be by her disposed off at her own free will and pleasure either by her deed or last will and testament as she shall think fitt. Item whereas I have reserved by my testament of marriage to my wife power of ..... to myself of two hundred pounds, one hundred pounds thereof upon my wife's estate in Bryn Eglwys and the other upon my own in Trewin ..... both which sayd sumes ..... two hundred pounds I whereby leave to and amongst all my younger child or children that I may have at my decease And lastly doe hereby name constitute and appoint the sayd Robert Vaughan Maurice Lloyd and Humphrey Pryce executors of this my last will and testament in trust nevertheless to and for the use and uses aforesayd hereby allowing my sayd executors their reasonable expenses as they shall be put to in the execution of this my sayd last will and testament and to see the same duely performed in all respectts to all intents and purposes In testimony whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seele this nineteenth day of January in the 7<sup>th</sup> year of the reign of our sovereign Lord King George the second in the year of our Lord 1733.

Signed sealed published and declared by the said  
David Vaughan to be his last will and testament  
In the presence of us who have subscribed our  
names witnesses hereunto to the testators.

Cadwaladr Robert of ..illtir garrig  
Owen David of Bala  
Ellis Pryce                      *(all signed their own names)*

David Vaughan *(signature)*

## Appendix 8

Grace Vaughan – Will 1832 – (NLW ref. SA/1832/14 W)

This the last will and testament of me Grace Vaughan of Ty Gwyn in the Parish of Bryn Eglwys in the County of Denbigh spinster. Whereas John Davies of Fronhaulog in the County of Merioneth & John Jones Tynddol in the aforesaid County esq. are indebted to me in the sum of Twenty pounds due & payable on the twelfth day of November next secured by Bond dated the twenty forth day of May One thousand eight hundred and twenty. I give and bequeath the aforesaid sum of twenty pounds to my servant Mary Jones. I give and bequeath the bed bedstead hangings and bedcloaths in the room above the kitchen to the aforesaid Mary Jones. I give all the furniture now lying and being at Ty Gwyn and all the furniture belonging to me now lying at Fynon y Milgi in the Parish of Llanelidan consisting of a feather bedstead and hangings, bedcloaths table silver spoons knives and forks chears glasses and wheatcorn to be divided equally between Mrs Williams of Fynon y Milgi aforesaid and my servant Mary Jones aforesaid. I give and devise all my other estates and effects both personal and real to the Rev. John Lloyd of Pale and Hugh Davies esq. of Maesgamedd both in the County of Merioneth in Trust to manage and dispose of the same in the best and most advantageous manner they can and after paying my just debts I desire that they will pay the sum of sixty pounds to the sisters of my late grandfather David Jones or their heirs or assigns to be divided between them share and share alike. I give and bequeath to the aforesaid Revd. John Lloyd and Hugh Davies the sum of two hundred pounds cash for their trouble and all the rest and residue of my personal property which may be due to me I give and bequeath to Evan Hughes Blaen Yale and Robert Hughes junior of Ty Isa both in the parish of Llantysilio to be divided equally between them. As witness my Hand and Seal this twenty fifth day of may One thousand eight hundred and twenty.

Signed sealed and delivered  
by the testatrix  
in the presence of us who in her presence  
at her bequest and in the presence of each other  
have herewith subscribed our hands the day  
and year above written.

Grace Vaughan (*signature*)

Foulk Jones Pentre Ucha      (*all signed their own names*)  
John Roberts Llety Llyn  
Samuel Roberts Pentre

## The Jones and Davies Families

|  |                           |  |                             |  |                |
|--|---------------------------|--|-----------------------------|--|----------------|
| <p>John William Foulk<br/>b. 1689 Llandderfel</p> <p>m.</p> <p>Sarah Jones*<br/>sister of Gawen Jones</p> <p>I</p> |                           | <p>Gawen Jones* drover<br/>brother of Sarah Jones</p> <p>m.</p> <p>I</p> |                             | <p>Robert Davis</p> <p>m.</p> <p>Jane</p> <p>I</p> |                |
| .....  | .....                     | .....  | .....                       | .....  | .....          |
| John Roberts   | m. Jonnett Jones          | Robert Jones   |                             | John Davis   |                |
| yeoman   |                           | brandy merchant  |                             |  |                |
| d.1808   | d.5/3/1811 84yrs          | d.   |                             |  |                |
| Votty Cregin   | Penybont                  | St.Mary's Hill,  |                             | Penybryn,  |                |
| Llandderfel, Mer.  | Llangower, Mer.           | London   |                             | Clocaenog, Denb.                                   |                |
|  |                           | unmarried  |                             | m. 25/11/1752                                      |                |
|  | I                         |  |                             | Alice  |                |
|  | I                         |  |                             | I  |                |
| .....  | .....                     | .....  | .....                       | .....  | .....          |
| <b>John Jones</b>  | Sarah Jones               | Robert   | <b>Gabriel Davis</b>        | Hugh   | Hugh           |
| Braichdû yeoman  |                           |  | stocking merchant           |  |                |
| of Tyddol, Merioneth.  |                           | bap. 16/12/1753  | b.18/1/1758                 | 12/6/1762  | 15/1/1769      |
| d.1828   |                           |  | d. 6/8/1828                 | bur. 18/7/1762                                     |                |
|  |                           |  | Will 5/5/1829               |  |                |
|  |                           |  | National Archives, London   |  |                |
| m.   | m.                        |  | m. My 1780                  |  |                |
| Elizabeth wid.   | David Williams            |  | Anne Jones                  |  |                |
|  | I                         |  | d/o David Jones of Caegwyn, |  |                |
| I  | .....                     |  | Rhydlydan, Denbigh          |  |                |
| I  | Jonnett Elizabeth William |  | I                           |  |                |
| .....  | .....                     | .....  | .....                       | .....  | .....          |
| Sarah Jones  | <b>Jonnet Jones</b>       | <b>John Davies</b>   | David                       | Robert   | Margaret Alice |
|  | eldest daughter           | b.21/10/1782   |                             |  |                |
|  |                           | of Fronheulog,   |                             |  |                |
|  |                           | Llandderfel  |                             |  |                |
|  |                           | bap.23/10/1781   |                             |  |                |
|  |                           | d.12/6/1848 Will 15/8/1848   |                             |  |                |
|  |                           | National Archives, London  |                             |  |                |
|  | I                         | I  |                             |  |                |
| m.   | m. .... 8/2/1813          | ..... m.   |                             |  |                |
| Thomas Jones   |                           |  |                             |  |                |
|  |                           |  |                             |  |                |
| I  |                           |  |                             |  |                |
| I  |                           |  |                             |  |                |
| .....  | .....                     | .....  | .....                       | .....  | .....          |
| <b>John Jones</b>  | Thomas Jones              | Catherine Jonnett Jones  |                             |  |                |
| eldest son   |                           |  |                             |  |                |
| of Tyddynllan, The Oaks & Frondderw  |                           |  |                             |  |                |
| b.abt.1808   |                           |  |                             |  |                |
| d.1875   | (cont. Appendix 10)       | m. 22/7/1857   |                             |  |                |
|  |                           | Owen Richards  |                             | physician  |                |

## The family of John Jones of Tyddynllan, Merionethshire

|                           |  |                           |  |                           |  |                             |  |
|---------------------------|--|---------------------------|--|---------------------------|--|-----------------------------|--|
| Thomas Jones              |  | m. Sarah Jones            |  | John Gilliat              |  | m. Mary Kirton              |  |
|                           |  |                           |  | b.1761 Scrivelsby, Lincs. |  | 1768-1859                   |  |
|                           |  |                           |  | d.1819                    |  |                             |  |
|                           |  | I                         |  |                           |  | I                           |  |
|                           |  | .....                     |  | .....                     |  |                             |  |
| (see Appendix 9)          |  | <b>John Jones</b>         |  | m. 1830 Emma Gilliat      |  | Augusta + 8 other siblings  |  |
|                           |  | of Tyddynllan, Llandrillo |  | b.15/4/1809               |  | b.1805                      |  |
|                           |  | The Oaks, Surrey          |  | d.23/7/1848               |  |                             |  |
|                           |  | & Frondderw, Llanycil     |  |                           |  | m. 1830                     |  |
|                           |  | b.c.1808 d.1875           |  |                           |  | Joseph Smith                |  |
|                           |  |                           |  | I                         |  |                             |  |
|                           |  | .....                     |  | .....                     |  |                             |  |
| <b>Cpt.Edward Gilliat</b> |  | Emma/Louisa Caroline      |  | Henry Horace              |  | <b>Herbert Wright</b>       |  |
| b.29/12/1831              |  | b.5/11/1833               |  | b. 1/1.1836               |  | b.1838                      |  |
| d.1905                    |  |                           |  |                           |  | d.1904 Will                 |  |
| of Frondderw, nr.Bala     |  |                           |  |                           |  | of Ty Gwyn, Bryneglwys      |  |
| unmarried                 |  |                           |  |                           |  | m. June qtr.1867 Bala reg.  |  |
|                           |  |                           |  | 1. Sarah Williams         |  | m.1876                      |  |
|                           |  |                           |  | I                         |  | Gertrude Walford Earle      |  |
|                           |  |                           |  | I                         |  |                             |  |
|                           |  |                           |  | I                         |  |                             |  |
|                           |  |                           |  |                           |  | I                           |  |
|                           |  | .....                     |  | .....                     |  |                             |  |
| Gilliat                   |  | Edward                    |  | John                      |  | Rosamund                    |  |
| Herbert                   |  | Herbert                   |  | Horace                    |  | Herbert                     |  |
| Jones                     |  | Jones                     |  | Herbert Jones             |  | Jones                       |  |
| b.June qtr.1868           |  | June qtr.1870             |  | Sept.qtr.1888             |  |                             |  |
| .....                     |  | Reigate reg.              |  | .....                     |  |                             |  |
|                           |  |                           |  |                           |  | m. March qtr.1900 Bala reg. |  |
|                           |  |                           |  |                           |  | Arthur William Rivington    |  |
|                           |  |                           |  |                           |  | Emma Clara                  |  |
|                           |  |                           |  |                           |  | Marian                      |  |
|                           |  |                           |  |                           |  | John William Barham Jones   |  |
|                           |  |                           |  |                           |  | b.Dec.qtr.1880              |  |
|                           |  |                           |  |                           |  | Reigate reg.                |  |