

CHAPTER TEN

The JENKINS Family of Cardigan and Tivyside (1)

The JENKINS Family at Cardigan (2)

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The JENKINS FAMILY of CARDIGAN and TIVYSIDE - (1)

There has been a persistent tradition on my mother's side of the family that they were related to the Jenkins family of Cilbronnau. I have become somewhat mistrustful of unsupported family traditions, but my Aunt Abigail and my sister Mary were quite firm about this one, and I remember that when Sir Lawrence Jenkins died in 1928 I was sent a newspaper cutting with a long account of his career. No one has ever explained what the relationship was supposed to be and I have inclined to a certain scepticism about the tradition. It is true that our Jenkins ancestors had their roots in Llangoedmor parish, where Cilbronnau mansion was situated, but the name Jenkins (and James also) occurs all over West Wales and will be found on a large number of tombstones in the little Llangoedmor churchyard, some of which I know are those of long-departed relatives, but many of which are probably not. However, it would not surprise me that there was a tenuous link there, perhaps through some younger son who had to earn his living in a humbler way, while his elder brother or brothers inherited the estates. But any slight hope of tracing such a link faded when I discovered the limitations of the Llangoedmor parish registers. The marriage registers go back to 1754; baptisms and burials start in 1764. It is true that the earliest Bishop's transcripts cover (with some gaps) the years 1674-1711, but there is a huge gap, with nothing at all, from 1711 to 1799. If there is any connection with the Cilbronnau Jenkinses, about whose ancient origins there is an interesting article in the volume of CYMMRODORION TRANSACTIONS for 1968, I do not think it will be traced in the parish registers now held at the National Library of Wales.

To come now to a point where the ground is firmer and where I have started the family trees, I must admit that I know nothing about the WILLIAM JENKINS who married RACHEL JONES in March 1766. They are both, I fear, no more to me than names entered in the old registers, though they do have the doubtful distinction of being my great-great-great-grandparents. Nor do I know much about most of their children, some of whom survived to figure in the census returns of the next century, some to leave wills that obligingly named their own and their brothers' children (for which I am grateful to them), some to leave just a name on a gravestone and some to leave no trace that I have discovered. Among their children was my great-great-grandfather, JOHN JENKINS, miller and farmer. During the years covered by the available census returns he and his sons moved about in the small world of Ferwig and Cardigan, and I find it interesting to set down

where they were at each of the five censuses.

1841 JOHN JENKINS (miller) at Felinbedr, Ferwig  
David Jenkins (miller) at Cardigan Mill in the Mwldan  
William Jenkins (mason) in High Street, Cardigan  
Thomas Jenkins (son) and } both at Tygwyn Farm, Ferwig  
Mary Jenkins (daughter) } (Thomas died in 1847)

1851 JOHN JENKINS (farmer) at Tygwyn Farm, Ferwig  
David Jenkins ?  
William Jenkins (miller) at Cardigan Mill, Mwldan  
Mary Evans } daughter and (miller and wife at  
John Evans } son-in-law (Felinbedr, Ferwig  
Jonathan Jenkins (farmer) Gotrel Farm, St.Mary's, Cardigan

1861 JOHN JENKINS (retired - aged 80) Tanerdy, Ferwig  
David Jenkins (farmer) Tygwyn Farm, Ferwig  
William Jenkins (mason) Priory Street, Cardigan  
John and Mary Evans (miller & wife) Felinbedr, Ferwig  
Jonathan Jenkins (grocer & tea dealer) Catherine Row,  
Cardigan

1871 JOHN JENKINS (retired - aged 90) Tanerdy, Ferwig  
(died 1874)  
David Jenkins (farmer - aged 69) Tygwyn Farm, Ferwig  
William Jenkins (mason) 34 Pendre, Cardigan  
John and Mary Evans (miller and wife) Felinbedr, Ferwig  
Jonathan Jenkins (mason) Catherine Row, Cardigan

1881 David Jenkins ? (retired - died 1886)  
William Jenkins (retired builder) 37 Pendre, Cardigan  
Mary Evans (widow : miller) Felinbedr, Ferwig  
Jonathan Jenkins (contractor & mason) Catherine Row, Cardigan

In 1841 Tanerdy, Ferwig was occupied by Thomas Williams, a tanner, his wife and nine children; hence the name of the property. After the death of my great-great-grandfather, John Jenkins in 1874 at the age of 93, it became a public house; by the 1881 census it was the Tannerdy Arms, kept by John Richards, a retired master mariner of 39. Now it has been renamed "Gwynfro" and I gather that the family who live there run the petrol station of that name just below the house, where I am told the old tannery ponds used to be.

The National Library of Wales have informed me that the electoral register for Cardiganshire for 1835/36 contains the following entry:-

Parish of St.Mary's, Cardigan

Nature of Location



The LAST WILL and TESTAMENT of WILLIAM JENKINS of Vrongoch in the parish of Llangoedmore in the County of Cardigan who died on the 30th May 1848.

To my brother JOHN JENKINS of Tygwyne all that piece of land called Bank in the parish of Bridell in the County of Pembroke for his life and on his death I devise the same to my four nephews WILLIAM JENKINS and DAVID JENKINS sons of my late brother David Jenkins of Cynllyvas (Canllefais?) and WILLIAM JENKINS and DAVID JENKINS sons of my said brother John Jenkins of Tygwyne share and share alike

SUBJECT to the payment of £5 annually to my sister JANE JENKINS who is now in America provided she returns to reside in Wales her native land and I also give to my said sister one oak chest which is now at Kilrhufach and the interest on all money due to me on Bonds or Notes of Hand during her life providing she returns as aforesaid and immediately after her death I bequeath to my nephew WILLIAM JENKINS Tynewydd the son of my late brother Thomas Jenkins the sum of £9.

I Bequeath to WILLIAM MORRIS of Penalltewid £10 and one-half of my wearing apparel the other half I bequeath to my nephew WILLIAM MORRIS of Kilrhufach.

I Bequeath £10 to the building of a small cottage in the yard of the Independent chapel at Llechryd.

I Bequeath to my wife ELINOR JENKINS the leasehold of Vrongoch with all the stock crops implements household furniture and ready cash absolutely and I also give to my wife all the interest bequeathed to my said sister JANE during my wife's natural life (and after the deaths of the wife and the sister the Bonds Notes etc both principal and interest were left to the testator's nephews, children of his brothers David Jenkins of Cynllyvas and John Jenkins of Tygwyne share and share alike.)

And I Appoint my said four nephews to be the sole executors of this my last Will and Testament.

Dated 29th May 1848.

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At Cardigan on 22nd July 1848 before Griffith Thomas Surrogate -  
Appeared:-

WILLIAM JENKINS of Blaenbarth Llangoedmore Mason

DAVID JENKINS of Trecefnissa in the parish of Verwick Farmer

WILLIAM JENKINS of High Street in the parish of St. Mary's  
Cardigan Mason

DAVID JENKINS of Cardigan Mill in the said parish of St. Mary's  
Cardigan Miller

the natural and lawful nephews of the said deceased and the Executors named in the last Will of WILLIAM JENKINS of Vrongoch in the parish of Llangoedmore Farmer who died 30th May 1848 and made oath that the estate of the said deceased was under £450.

NOTE: The original of the above Will is now held at the National Library of Wales at Aberystwyth.

# OFFICE COPY

VALID ONLY IF BEARING  
IMPRESSED COURT SEAL

This is the last Will and Testament of me John  
Sarkins of Fenwick in the parish of Newark in the County of  
Lincoln Farmer made this nineteenth day of January One thousand  
eight hundred and seventy that is to say. I direct Firstly that all my  
just debts funeral and Testamentary expenses be paid by my Executors  
hereinafter named, with all convenient speed after my decease - I give and  
devise to my Daughter Mary Evans (the wife of John Evans of Wetherby)

All that Dwellinghouse Garden and Premises situate in Ormonds Court  
in the Town of Lincoln and now in the occupation of Anne Evans Widow  
and her heirs and assigns for ever. I give and devise to my son Jonathan  
Sarkins of <sup>Bathurst</sup> ~~Lincoln~~ Row, Lincoln aforesaid the Dwellinghouse Garden  
and premises situate in Ormonds Court aforesaid (both near the Castle Green  
Gate) and now in the joint occupation of Martha Thomas and Mary  
Thomas Widows, and his heirs and assigns for ever. I give and  
bequeath to my son David Sarkins of Dygon Farm Fenwick the  
sum Eighty seven pounds ten shillings. I give and bequeath to my  
son William Sarkins of Prince Georges Place the sum of Eighty  
seven pounds ten shillings. I give and bequeath to my Daughter  
Mary Evans (the wife of John Evans of Wetherby aforesaid) the sum of  
Eighty seven pounds ten shillings. I give and bequeath to my son  
Jonathan Sarkins of Bathurst Row aforesaid the sum of Eighty seven  
pounds ten shillings. The said several bequests amounting in the  
whole to the sum of Three hundred and fifty pounds sterling. I give  
and bequeath to my grand daughter Mary Jones (formerly Mary Sarkins)  
the Daughter of my late son Thomas Sarkins of Springfield (Lincolnshire  
deceased in pursuance of the Settlement made on the marriage of my late son  
with Margaret Sarkins of Springfield aforesaid - the sum of One hundred and  
fifty pounds (the sum of Fifty pounds having been paid by me to  
Benjamin Jones on account of the Two hundred pounds mentioned in  
said Settlement). The above sum of One hundred and fifty pounds in  
addition to the other bequests making altogether the sum of Five  
hundred pounds which are now in my possession and prepared as the office of Mr. Thomas Morgan  
Solicitor Lincoln. I give and bequeath to my grand daughter  
Margaret (the illegitimate child of my late Daughter Margaret) the sum of  
Six pounds sterling. I give and bequeath to my Grand son Lewis



the son of my said Daughter Margaret the sum of Five pounds ...  
 sterling. I give and bequeath to Sarah King, my present Servant the  
 sum of Four pounds sterling also I give her One Feather Bed. And  
 as to the residue of any personal property which I may die possessed of  
 consisting of Household furniture, Horses, Cattle, Blackts and Effects I give  
 and bequeath the same unto and to my three children, William Jenkins  
 Mary Evans and Jonathan Jenkins share and share alike. my said son  
 David Jenkins. is not intended by me to participate in any part of the  
 same. And lastly revoking all former or other Will or Wills by me  
 heretofore made I declare this to be my last Will and Testament and  
 hereby nominate constitute and appoint my said sons David Jenkins  
 and William Jenkins Executors of the same. In witness whereof I  
 have hereunto set my hand this twentieth day of January 1890. -

Executors

Signed published and Introd by the Testator  
 John Jenkins, in the presence of us, being present  
 at the same time, at his request & in his  
 presence - have subscribed our names as Witnesses

John Jenkins  
 J. Evans  
 David Davies, Newick

This is a Codicil to the last Will and Testament of me  
 John Jenkins of Sunday in the parish of Newick in the County  
 of Cardigan Farmer bearing date the twentieth day of January One  
 thousand eight hundred and ninety. Whereas by the said Will I  
 have and bequeathed to my son William Jenkins of Pnare Cardigan the  
 sum of eighty seven pounds ten shillings together with a portion of the  
 residue of my personal estate which I may die possessed of. I now by this  
 my Codicil, hereby cannot revoke and make void the said bequests and in  
 lieu thereof I give and bequeath the said sum of eighty seven pounds  
 ten shillings to bequeathed to my said son William Jenkins to my  
 two grand children William Jenkins and Thomas Jenkins the two  
 younger children of my said son William Jenkins and Evan Thomas  
 Jenkins the grandson of my said son William Jenkins in three  
 equal proportions of Twenty nine pounds three shillings and four  
 pence. I also give and bequeath the residue and remainder of my

personal property (if any) which may consist of household furniture -  
 cattle, chattels, and effects of what nature or kindsoever the same may consist  
 of to my Daughter Mary Evans and my son Jonathan Jenkins in my said  
 Will named share and share alike - and hereby revoke cancel and make void  
 the interest given and bequeathed to my said son William Jenkins in  
 my said Will in the residue of my personal Estate, and also in his  
 appointment as Executor of my said Will - jointly with my son David  
 Jenkins - and lastly after cancelling revoking and making void all  
 bequests to the said William Jenkins. I hereby confirm and ratify my  
 said Will and appoint my two sons David Jenkins and Jonathan  
 Jenkins Executors of the said Will and thus my Will. In witness  
 whereof I have set my hand here to this 26<sup>th</sup> day of February 1874 -  
 Signed published and Declared by the Testator  
 John Jenkins, as a Will to his last Will and  
 Testament in the presence of us who at his request  
 in his presence and in the presence of each other  
 have subscribed our names as Witnesses here to.

The mark of  
 X  
 John Jenkins

David Davis late of Pembrokeshire  
 John Evans (Junior) Glamorgan  
 26<sup>th</sup> day of February 1874.

Proved at Llanarth, with a Will, the 20<sup>th</sup> day of  
 April 1874 by the Oaths of David Jenkins and Jonathan  
 Jenkins, the sons the Executors named in the said  
 Will to whom Administration was granted.

The Testator, John Jenkins, was late of Llanarth in  
 the Parish of Newark in the County of Cardigan Wales  
 and died on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March 1874 at Llanarth.

Under Seal -

Probate extracted by Jenkins of Evans, Solicitors, Cardigan

and correct Copy



Executors.

24/11/74  
 [Signature]

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The derelict mill at Felinbedr, Ferwig. The white house in the distance is on the site of the old miller's house. I was told that the mill will also be restored in due time.



The former "Tanerdy" at Ferwig, where John Jenkins (1781-1874) lived in his retirement; the property is now called "Gwynfro".



SILOAM  
Baptist chapel  
Ferwig



SILOAM, Ferwig:  
the Jenkins graves  
are grouped in the  
top right corner of  
the picture.

Let us move on now to the table headed by my great-grandparents, William and Abigail Jenkins. For a long time I thought they had brought into the world the modest figure of seven children only, until in June 1984 I found a tombstone propped against the churchyard wall of St. Mary's, Cardigan, some 15-20 yards from the gate leading into what is, I think, Church Lane. This stone records, in English, the brief lives of four infant children, Mary, John, Thomas and Jane. So they had eleven children in all, and my great-grandmother too died at the early age of 43. Their eldest child to grow up, Mary, had an illegitimate son. My own sister, Mary, throughout her life regularly visited many relatives in and around Cardigan and St. Dogmaels, and from these visits and from my Aunt Abigail and the other aunts at "Brynteifi" in Barry she was familiar with all the gossip and oral traditions current in family circles. Her story was that the father of Mary Jenkins' son was Evan Thomas, the son of Hezekiah Thomas of Dolwen, Aberporth, a master mariner, farmer and small shipowner. Evan Thomas was himself a sea captain who later went to Cardiff and in partnership with Henry Radcliffe founded the prosperous ship-owning firm of Evan Thomas Radcliffe and Company. The story goes that Mary Jenkins refused to marry Evan Thomas. Whatever the truth may be, poor Mary died of consumption when she was 24, little more than a year after the boy she named Evan Thomas was born. He was brought up by his grandfather, taught the craft of a watchmaker, doubtless by his uncle William, himself a watchmaker, and eventually set up his own jeweller's business in Ferndale, where he died in 1939.

The only son of my great-grandfather to marry was my grandfather, John Jenkins, and none of his sons married at all. A similar failure of male lines occurs in the Morgan family also. As the amateur genealogist begins learning how to search for his roots, he is usually warned that not everything he finds in digging up the past will be a pleasant surprise; unpleasant surprises lie in wait there also. Three things, in particular, he is likely to encounter - illegitimacy, lunacy and criminality. I suppose few families go for many generations without experiencing the first; I have not found the last, unless a possible bigamist qualifies. I thought I had at last run up against lunacy when I saw the death certificate of my great-uncle, Thomas Jenkins, the Cardigan saddler, who is registered as having died in 1898 at the Lunatic Asylum, Carmarthen. But when I wrote to them for information, I had a reply from the Medical Records Officer at St. David's Hospital that despite an extensive search, they could not find his name in their records.



1875  
May 28<sup>th</sup>

Attending you and your son Thomas Jenkins upon your calling conferring with you as to the Settlement of your property and taking your instructions for preparation of Deed	"	68
Drawing Draft Deed of Settlement	"	15
Copy for perusal	"	5
Engrossing same	"	10
Paid Parchment	"	3

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Attending you upon your calling to execute same when after reading the deed over to you you refused to sign it to day	"	-
Re-engrossing Settlement	"	10
Paid Stamp and parchment	"	13
Attending you on your executing same and attesting execution	"	68

Instructions for your Will	"	68
Drawing same	"	10
Paid Copy of same for signature	"	6
Attending taking your signature to same and self and clerk attesting same	"	68

To amount of Bill for 1874

4	13	2
11	4	
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15	4	6

1879 Feb 12<sup>th</sup>

Received £ 15. in full

Richard W. Jones  
12/2/79

Executors

Cardigan in the County of Cardigan Builder I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Jenkins the sum of Fifty pounds I also give and bequeath unto Owen Thomas the illegitimate son of my late daughter Mary Jenkins the sum of Fifty pounds I give devise and bequeath all my real Estate and the rest residue and remainder of my personal Estate of what nature or kindsoever and wheresoever situated unto my children namely John Jenkins, William Jenkins Thomas Jenkins, Elizabeth David Eleanor Morgan and to my Grandson the said Owen Thomas share and share alike as tenants in common And I appoint my friend David Pentlands of Saint Marys Lane Cardigan Blacksmith and my son William Jenkins Executors of this my Will and I revoke all other Wills at any time heretofore made by me and declare this to be my last Will and Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this seventeenth day of November one thousand eight hundred and seventy five.

Signed by the said William Jenkins the Testator as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who at his request in his presence and in the presence of each other subscribed our names as witnessed

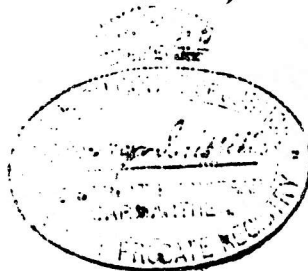
William Jenkins

M. Pector Grand Juror Cardigan  
Saml Owen Clerk to the said M. Pector Grand

*27th 1900*

On the 4<sup>th</sup> day of August 1900 Probate of this Will was granted at Cardigan to William Jenkins the son, the surviving executor.

*A correct copy*



Folio 3

WILLIAM JENKINS of 34 Pendre, Cardigan,

Builder, died on 29th March 1900.

Probate of his will granted on 4th August 1900 to William Jenkins watchmaker Cardigan the surviving executor named in the will.

A copy of the will is attached.

Friday, November 4th, 1910.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20th, 1933

## LOSS OF THE CHIRIQUI.

A STORY OF HEROISM BY A ST. DOGMAELS CAPTAIN AND HIS OFFICERS.

The Imperial Merchant Service Guild have just received from one of their members, the captain of a large steamer, a remarkable story of the sea relating to the loss of the Pacific Steam Navigation Company's mail steamer Chiriqui, lately commanded by Captain W. H. Morgan, a member of the guild. Captain — writes:—

"You will probably have heard of the loss of our steamship Chiriqui, which sank in less than nine minutes after an explosion which occurred on board, the cause of which is at present unknown. When the explosion happened the steamer was carrying twenty-five first-class passengers, two second-class passengers, and, in addition to the captain, there were thirty-four officers, engineers, and crew, making a total of sixty-two persons. To think that all these people were away clear of the ship in the four ship's boats before she actually disappeared, which was in less than nine minutes, speaks wonderfully well for the cool and efficient way in which the captain and officers acted so promptly and maintained discipline, thus saving so many valuable lives. The explosion occurred at about nine o'clock in the morning, when the ship's position was about lat. 7deg north, long. 78.48deg west, or about 130 miles down Panama Bay.

"After the explosion, when it was seen that there was no hope for the ship—the starboard after-part of the ship's side being completely blown out—the boats were lowered, hurriedly provisioned, and passengers and crew embarked. The first to be placed in the boats were nine lady passengers and three little children under the age of two years. Upon getting away from the scene of the disaster they pulled to the north-eastward, taking a rest for a few hours only in the night time, and after being in the boats three days and two nights they eventually landed at Garachine Point.

"During the whole of the time that the passengers and crew were in the boats their food consisted of the smallest possible portion of bread per day, raw potatoes, and just sufficient water to keep their mouths wet, the little children only being supplied with ample water and a few eggs that fortunately had been put into one of the boats. When the passengers and crew took to the boats the nearest land was some sixty miles distant, but in order to land in an inhabited part of the coast the gallant crew of the ship's boats pulled over a hundred miles with the fierce tropical sun beating down upon them, and thus saved sixty-one lives."

The fact that out of sixty-two people the only one that was found to be missing was the engine-room storekeeper—who was blown to pieces at the time of the explosion—speaks volumes for the masterful resources of Captain W. H. Morgan and his officers, and adds another bright page of history to the annals of bravery displayed in the British mercantile marine. It should be known that this disaster occurred in what is admittedly the hottest climate in the world.

Captain Morgan is the son of Captain William Morgan, Church House, St. Dogmaels.

## OLDEST MASTER MARINER

CAPT. WM. MORGAN, ST. DOGMAELS, DIES AT 93.

There died at Penally, St. Dogmaels, the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. H. Perry, on Sunday, the oldest master mariner in West Wales, if not in the whole of Wales, in the person of Capt. William Morgan, at the age of 93 years.

The late Capt. Morgan, who was very highly respected, was the oldest and one of the most faithful members of Capel Seion C.M. Church, St. Dogmaels.

He had enjoyed remarkably good health during his whole life and retained his faculties to the end, being able to read without the aid of glasses. About a fortnight ago he unfortunately slipped in the house and fell, fracturing one of his thigh bones, and this undoubtedly accelerated his death.

The late Capt. Morgan, before commencing his sea life as a boy, was engaged in seine net salmon fishing, and it was his proud boast that when 14 years of age he caught in one haul no fewer than 65 salmon.

He went to sea first on June 5th, 1855, as an apprentice in the schooner "Eugenie" which was built at St. Dogmaels when Cardigan was a flourishing port and shipbuilding centre. He rose quickly in the mercantile marine service and for 30 years he was master of ships, and despite many perils had the reputation of being a very lucky captain. He recalled with pride that during 144 years as captain of the coasting vessel "Cathaye" not the slightest mishap occurred.

He was a brother of the late Mr. Stephen Morgan, butcher, Cardigan, and leaves to mourn a daughter (Mrs. J. H. Perry) and two sons (Mr. Seaborn Morgan, jeweller, Neath, and Capt. W. H. Morgan, who is or was at sea).

The funeral took place on Thursday (yesterday) at St. Dogmaels Parish Churchyard.

THE CARDIGAN AND TIVY-SIDE ADVERTISER  
FRIDAY, MARCH 8th, 1935.

## LOCAL NEWS

## FUNERAL.

The funeral of Mr. William Jenkins, jeweller, 34, Pendre, took place on Tuesday (interment being at Verwig). At the house a short service was held by the Revs. Esau Williams and J. Arthur Jones, and at the chapel and graveside the officiating ministers were the Revs. Esau Williams and John Price. The principal mourners were:—Mr. and Mrs. Alphonso Davies, Cardigan, Mr. and Mrs. Perry, Penally, St. Dogmaels, Mrs. W. H. Perry, Cardiff, Mr. Griffith Jenkins, Barry, Mr. Seaborn Morgan, Neath (nephews and nieces); Messrs. Willie and Jack Evans, Pendre House, Cardigan, P.C. Dd. Davies, London, Miss Lillian Davies, Cardigan, Mrs. Morgan and Mrs. James, Cardigan (grand nephews and grand nieces); Miss Jones and Mr. David John Davies, Glennydd, Penpark, Misses Evans, Felinbedr, Mr. and Mrs. Jones, Catherine Row, Cardigan (cousins). Others present were:—Capt. Williams, Newcastle-Emlyn; Mr. Dd. John Davies, Cardigan; Mr. G. J. Morgan, Cardigan; and Mr. H. D. James, Cardigan. The following were unable to attend the funeral owing to indisposition:—Mrs. A. Evans, Pendre House, Cardigan, Mrs. Evans, Barry, and Mr. E. Jenkins, Ferndale. The funeral arrangements were carried out by Messrs. John Wilson and Son, Pendre.

## RHONDDA FACH GAZET

SATURDAY APRIL 15, 1930

**Death and Burial of Mr. E. T. Jenkins**  
The death occurred at Macc-y-ll Rhondda Road, Ferndale, on Wednesday last, April 5th, following a long illness of Mr. E. T. Jenkins (jeweller), in 76th year. Deceased, who was a native of Cardigan, had resided in Ferndale over half a century and was one of the old business men in the town. He was senior deacon of Salem Newydd Baptist (Welsh) Chapel. The funeral took place on Saturday last (private) at the Penryn Cemetery. The Rev. John William Salem Newydd, officiated.

## OBITUARY

### MR. J. H. PERRY, ST. DOGMAELS

The death occurred after a few week's illness of Mr. John Hughes Perry, Penally, St. Dogmaels, aged 77 years. A native of the district, he went to sea as a young man and made rapid progress to attain the position of chief engineer on one of the best mail steamers of the Elder Dempster line at the early age of 23.

Just prior to the 1914-18 war he gave up the sea and successfully farmed Hendre for some years. He retired to Penally in 1919.

He was a prominent member of St. Thomas's Church, St. Dogmaels, where he had for many years been a church warden. He is survived by his wife and two sons, Mr. W. L. Perry, M.P.S., Haverfordwest, and Mr. John Phillips Perry, who holds an important post with the Imperial Oil Company, Toronto.

The private funeral took place on Monday, interment taking place at St. Dogmaels churchyard. The officiating clergy were the Rev. W. G. Jones, Vicar, and the Rev. L. J. Edwards, Rector of Llangoedmore, an old friend of the family.

Mourners were Mrs. Perry (widow); Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Perry, Haverfordwest (son and daughter-in-law); Mr. Seaborn Morgan, Neath (brother-in-law); Mr. and Mrs. Gwilym Owen, Cardigan, Mr. and Mrs. D. Howell, Cardigan (cousins), Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Perry, Toronto (son and daughter-in-law) were unable to be present.

There were no flowers by request but the following wreaths were received from the family: In loving memory of my dearest, from Dora; in loving memory of a dear father, Will and Betty; In loving memory of dear Dada, John and Louise.

The bearers were Messrs. E. W. Jones, T. J. Bowen, Cecil Williams, David Davies, D. J. Francis, Percy Lewis, Idris Lewis and Ormond Jenkins. The arrangements were by Mr. Tom Morris, Sunny Villa, St. Dogmaels.

## ST. DOGMAELS

### Mrs. D. A. PERRY

The death occurred at Cilwendeg Residential Home, Boncath, on November 11 of Mrs. Dorah Abigail Perry, aged 89. Mrs. Perry was a native of St. Dogmaels, where she had lived all her life. For the last five-and-a-half-years she had made her home at Cilwendeg. She had been in failing health for some time, and the end came peacefully.

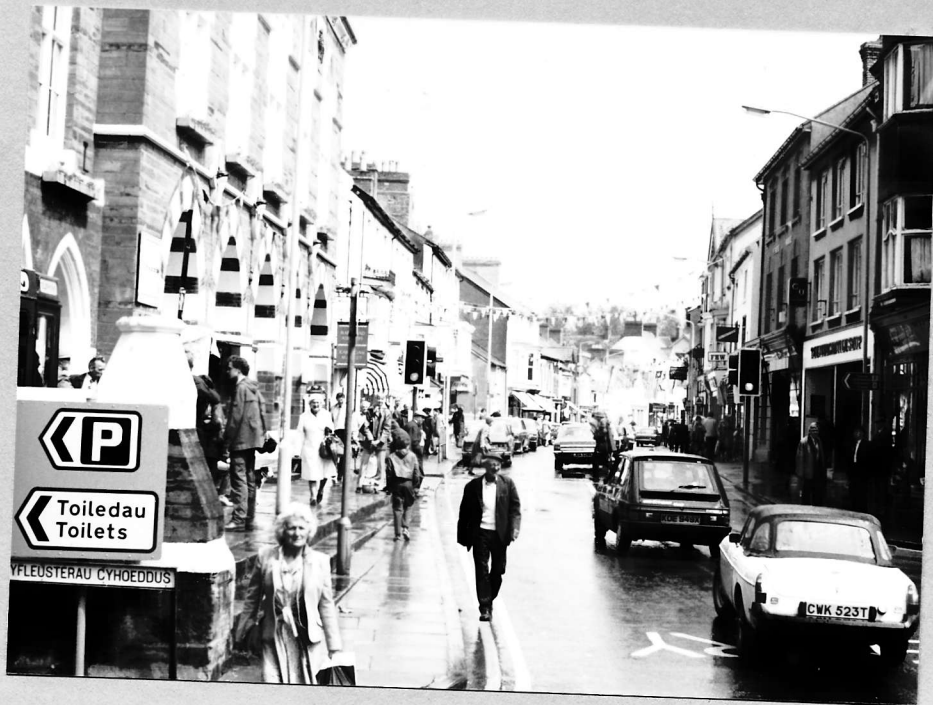
Well loved by all, she had been a faithful member of St. Dogmaels' Church. Sympathy is extended to her two sons and daughters-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Perry and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Perry.

The private funeral took place on Saturday. A service was held at Cilwendeg at which Rev. D. B. Rees, vicar of Capel Colman officiated, followed by interment at St. Dogmaels churchyard. The vicar of St. Dogmaels, Rev. W. G. Jones, and the vicar of Cardigan, Rev. J. E. Jones, conducted the service at St. Dogmaels Church and the Rev. W. G. Jones took the committal.

Chief mourners were: Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Perry (son and daughter-in-law); Mr. and Mrs. Aneurin Talfan Davies (cousins); Mr. Gwilym Owen (cousin); Mr. David Morgan (nephew). Her son, Mr. J. P. Perry, who resides in Canada, was unable to attend for health reasons.

Floral tributes were from: In loving memory and gratitude for her love and devotion from John, Will, Betty and Louise; In loving memory, all at Cilwendeg; In loving memory, St. Thomas's Church Ladies Guild; In loving memory of a dear friend, Dyfrig and Gwendraeth.

The funeral arrangements were by Messrs. John H. Edwards & Co., Crymch.



Cardigan  
Guildhall and  
Pendre



34 Pendre  
Cardigan  
(1982)

LOCAL NEWS

DEATH AND FUNERAL.

The death took place on Sunday at 24, Greenfield Square, of Mrs. Eleanor Wilson, widow of Mr. Evan Wilson, cabinet maker, and second daughter of the late Capt. and Mrs. Davies, Royal Oak, Cardigan. Sixty-four years of age, deceased had been ill for only a short time. A member of Bethania Baptist Church, she was held in high regard by a large circle of friends amongst whom news of her death came as a painful shock. To mourn her loss she leaves two daughters, to whom sympathy is felt. The funeral, for gentlemen only, took place on Wednesday, interment being made at Siloam burial ground, Verwig. The officiating ministers were the Revs. Esau Williams and John Price. The mourners were:—Mr. and Mrs. Morgan (daughter and son-in-law); Mr. and Mrs. James (daughter and son-in-law); Mr. Hedley and Beryl Morgan (grand-children); Mr. and Mrs. Alphonso Davies (brother and Sister-in-law); Mr. and Mrs. Perry; Mr. J. Wilson (brother-in-law); Messrs. Willie and Jack Evans (nephews); Miss Lilian Davies (niece); Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Wyatt and Mrs. Davies. Beautiful floral tributes were received from the following:—Tommy and Lena, Mary and Glyn, Abby, Alphonso and Charlotte, Will and Bella, Dai and Lilian, Eleanor, Mary and Lota, Uncle Daniel and family, Tom, M. A. Jeremiah, M. G. Jeremiah; Mr. and Mrs. Reed, Margaret and Harold, Mr. and Mrs. Seldon. The funeral arrangements were carried out by Messrs. J. Wilson and Son, Pendre, Cardigan.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1951

MRS. A. A. EVANS.

The funeral took place at Cardigan cemetery of Mrs. Abigail Ann Evans, Pendre House, Cardigan. She was 82 and was the oldest member of Mount Zion English Baptist Chapel. Her death occurred after a prolonged illness.

The officiating minister at the house and cemetery was the Rev. Alwyn Griffiths, B.A., B.D., Mount Zion.

The chief mourners were Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Ivor Evans, Messrs. J. H. Evans and T. T. Evans (sons); Mrs. G. Owen (daughter); Mrs. A. Davies, Redlands (sister-in-law); Mr. D. Davies, Penrhif, Crymwech (nephew); Mrs. J. Perry, Penally, St. Dogmaels, Mr. Seaborn Morgan, Neath (cousin). Mr. Alphonso Davies, Redlands, Cardigan, brother, was unable to be present owing to ill-health.

The funeral was private.

Friday, February 4, 1955

DEATHS

DAVIES.—On January 31, at Redlands, Priory Terrace, Cardigan, David Alphonso, beloved Husband of Annie Charlotte and devoted Father of David and Lillian, Funeral on Friday at 2 o'clock for Cardigan Cemetery. Gentlemen only. 933

MR. ALFONSO DAVIES, CARDIGAN

The death occurred on Monday of Mr. Alfonso Davies, Redlands, Cardigan. Mr. Davies, who was 74, was a native of Cardigan.

In 1898 he joined the Royal Naval Reserve and served part of his training at the old Battery at St. Dogmaels.

He was called up in August, 1914 and was discharged in September, 1919. During the war he served with Lt. Commander Campbell, V.C., in the "Q" Ship H.M.S. Parquest and in June, 1917 he participated in a battle for the V.C. awarded to one of the ship's gunners.

He was twice mentioned in dispatches for distinguished service.

Mr. Davies was the son of the late Capt. and Mrs. D. Davies, Royal Oak, Quay Street, Cardigan and was a member of Bethania Baptist Chapel. He is survived by his wife, son and daughter. A sister, Mrs. W. H. Perry, lives in Cardiff.

Friday, September 13, 1963.

TWO BROTHERS DIE  
ON SAME DAY

Two brothers, members of a well-known Cardigan family, died on the same day this week. One died in hospital and the other died suddenly at his brother's home while visiting the family.

The first death was that of Mr. David William Evans, Gwynfa, Northgate Terrace, Cardigan, which occurred at the West Wales General Hospital, Glangwili, on Tuesday. Aged 71 and a jeweller and watchmaker by trade, he was a member of the firm of David Evans and Sons, Jewellers, Pendre, Cardigan.

A prominent Freemason, he was a past-master of the Teify Lodge and an ex-service man of the 1914-18 war. He is survived by a widow, son, and daughter. The funeral takes place today (Friday).

On Tuesday evening his brother, Mr. Ivor Rees Evans, Clydfan, Feidrair, Cardigan, died suddenly at his brother's home while visiting his family.

An electrician, Mr. Evans had been employed by the South Wales Electricity Board and the West Cambrian Power Co. for 35 years. He is survived by a widow, son and daughter.

Friday, September 20, 1963

Obituary

MR. D. W. EVANS  
MR. I. R. EVANS

The funeral took place at Cardigan cemetery on Friday of two brothers whose deaths occurred on the same day. They were Mr. D. W. (Willie) Evans, Gwynfa, North Road, Cardigan, and Mr. Ivor Rees Evans, Clydfan, Feidrair, Cardigan. Officiating were the Revs. D. J. Roberts, Capel Mair, D. Osborne Thomas, Bethania, and Dr. Leighton James, Mount Zion.

Mourners were Mrs. Vinnie Evans (widow) and Miss Petra Roberts (step-daughter); Mrs. Ruth Evans (widow); Mr. and Mrs. Clive Bowen (daughter and son-in-law); Mr. David Evans (son); Mr. John Evans, Pendre House (brother); Mr. and Mrs. Gwilym Owen (sister and brother-in-law).

Bearing the coffin of Mr. D. W. Evans were Capt. J. H. Evans, Capt. S. J. Owen, Capt. E. G. Thomas, Capt. G. Jones, Messrs. D. J. Lewis, W. G. Edwards and W. C. Bowen; bearing the coffin of Mr. I. R. Evans were fellow employees of the South Wales Electricity Board, Messrs. T. Hazzelby, T. Cole, Douglas Jones, T. L. Davies, James Thomas and Byron Davies.

DEATHS

EVANS.—At Carmarthen Hospital on September 10, D. W. Evans (Willie) (D. Evans & Sons, Jewellers, Cardigan), of Gwynfa, North Road, Cardigan, dearly beloved husband of Vinnie and devoted stepfather of Petra and Baxter. 645

EVANS.—Suddenly on September 10, Ivor Rees Evans, Clydfan, Feidrair, Cardigan (youngest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. David Evans, Jeweller, Pendre House, Cardigan) dearly beloved husband of Ruth and devoted father of Peggy and David. 646

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

EVANS.—Mrs. Vinnie Evans, Gwynfa, Northgate Terrace, Mrs. Ruth Evans, Clydfan, Feidrair, Mr. Jack Evans and Mrs. Gwilym Owen, of Pendre House, wish to express their very sincere thanks to relatives and numerous friends for every kindness and for the letters and cards of sympathy received during their recent sad and tragic loss. 619

THE CARDIGAN AND  
**Tivy-Side Advertiser,**  
FRIDAY, AUGUST 22, 1913.

**Obituary.**

**MR. DAVID EVANS, JEWELLER.**

A respected tradesman of the town passed away on Wednesday in the person of Mr. David Evans, watchmaker and jeweller, Pendre House. The late Mr. Evans was a native of the town and was well liked by all who knew him for his quiet and amiable disposition. Some time ago his health began to fail, and he went for a trip to the Canary Islands. He returned looking greatly benefited, but he afterwards had a relapse, and passed away on Wednesday morning at the age of 49. Much sympathy is extended to the widow and five children who are left to mourn his loss. The funeral will take place at the cemetery on Saturday morning at 1 o'clock.

**Cardigan & Tivy-Side Advertiser.**  
Friday, May 21, 1971

**Mr. J. H. EVANS**

The death occurred of Mr. John Humphrey Evans, only surviving son of David Evans and Abigail Evans, jewellers, of Pendre House, Cardigan.

Mr. Evans was a marine engineer but at the outbreak of the 1914-18 war served with the 4th Welsh Regiment with other Cardigan men, and went through the Gallipoli campaign.

After his medical discharge from the Army he assisted in the family business of which he was a partner.

Those officiating at the private funeral were Revs. Clement Davies, Newcastle Emlyn, and Richard Jones, Tabernacle, Cardigan.

The mourners were Mr. and Mrs. Gwilym Owen (sister and brother-in-law); Mr. David Evans (nephew), and Mr. Clive Bowen, St. Dogmaels.

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**Friday, October 1, 1978**

**OBITUARY**

**Mrs. M. L. EVANS**

The death occurred at her home on Sunday, of Mrs. Mary Lavinia (Vinnie) Evans, Gwynfa, North Road, Cardigan, wife of the late Mr. Willie Evans, jeweller, Pendre, Cardigan. She was 87, a native of St. Dogmaels but had resided in Cardigan for many years. Mrs. Evans was a member of Capel Mair Congregational Church, Cardigan, and held in high regard by her friends.

Mrs. Evans leaves a daughter, Miss Petra Roberts, Cardigan, and son, Mr. Baxter Roberts (chemist), London, to whom sympathy is extended.

**The Cardigan & Tivy-Side Advertiser,**

Friday, March 23, 1962

**Weddings**

**BOWEN—EVANS**

The wedding took place on Saturday at Mount Zion Baptist Chapel, Cardigan, of Mr. Reginald Clive Bowen, an engineer at the R.A.E. Aberporth, and son of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Bowen, Fern Grove, St. Dogmaels, and Miss Margaret Ann Evans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ivor Evans, Clydfan, Feldrfair, Cardigan. The minister, Rev. W. H. Jones, B.A., officiated and Mrs. W. H. Jones, The Munse, was the organist.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a gown of white satin with insertions of French lace. She carried a bouquet of freesia and fern.

The flower girl, Miss Laura Crawshaw, wore a dress of blue nylon over white frilled nylon and carried a bouquet of red tulips. Michael Davies was the page boy.

Mr. Tony Bowen (bridegroom's brother) was best man and Messrs. Griff James and David Evans were groomsmen.

More than 80 guests attended the reception held at the Cliff Hotel, Gwbert, and the honeymoon is being spent touring Devon and Cornwall. For travelling the bride wore an ice-blue boucle with two-piece trimmed with white accessories.

The couple will make their home at Nantrodyn, St. Dogmaels. The bride's bouquet was placed on the grave of her grandparents.

# The Cardigan and Tibby-Side Advertiser

Friday, March 21st, 1980

## Golf club president dies

News of the sudden death on Friday of Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Owen of Pendre House, Pendre Cardigan, saddened relatives, friends and her many business acquaintances. She died at Glan-gwill Hospital where she had been admitted two days earlier after a comparatively short illness.

She was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. David Evans Pendre House, and for many years she had run the jewellery business established by her father. Well-known over a wide area, Mrs. Owen was joined in running the family business by her husband, Mr. Gwilym Owen following his retirement several years ago.

Considered an authority on precious stones, Mrs. Owen had many interests apart from the business.

In her younger days she was a proficient and keen golfer, being a founder member of Cardigan Golf Club. She had been president of the club for the past 10 years and she had the distinction of being the only lady to hold a golf presidency in England and Wales. She was also the first president of the ladies' section of the Mid-Wales Golfing Association.

Mrs. Owen was also a founder member of Cardigan Women's Institute and of the Cardigan Royal British Legion Women's Section and was a past president of Sorontimist of Cardigan International and District.

The private funeral took place on Tuesday.

Friday, 13th March 1981

## Mr. G. OWEN, CARDIGAN

The death occurred at Priory Hospital, Carmarthen, on Sunday at the age of 80, of Mr. Gwilym Owen, Pendre House, Cardigan. He had been in failing health for some months.

A native of Aberystwyth, Mr. Owen had lived in Cardigan for many years. He settled in the town after being stationed locally as a police constable with the former Cardiganshire Constabulary with which he served for more than 30 years.

After retiring from the police force he assisted his late wife, Mrs. Annie Owen, in running the old established family business in Pendre.

Mr. Owen was a keen golfer in his younger days and was a life member of Cardigan Golf Club of which his late wife was president for many years.