

GIBSON, Sir JOHN (1841 - 1915), journalist

Name: John Gibson
Date of birth: 1841
Date of death: 1915
Gender: Male
Occupation: journalist
Area of activity: Literature and Writing; Printing and Publishing
Author: Bertie George Charles

Born 14 February 1841, son of a Lancaster hatter. He joined the *Oswestry Advertiser* as a printer about 1863 and began to write for that paper. After gaining experience as a journalist in Wales and the border counties, he was invited in September 1873 to manage and edit the *Cambrian News* at Aberystwyth. In 1880 some of his friends purchased that newspaper for him. Under his supervision and through his vigorous personality and fearless independent views on local and national affairs, the *Cambrian News* became one of the most influential weekly newspapers in Wales. He was the author of *Agriculture in Wales*, 1879, and *Emancipation of Women*. He was knighted in 1915 and died on 16 July the same year.

Author

Dr Bertie George Charles, (1908 - 2000)

Sources

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Thomas Jones, *Leeks and Daffodils* (1942), 13-14 - 'every public man in the counties of Cardigan and Merioneth lived in fear of being dipped in his inkpot.'

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