

REYNOLDS, JOHN (fl. 1739), antiquary

Name: John Reynolds
Spouse: Eleanor Reynolds (née Burgess)
Parent: Gwen Reynolds (née Davies)
Parent: Jacob Reynolds
Gender: Male
Occupation: antiquary
Area of activity: History and Culture
Author: Walter Thomas Morgan

Son of Jacob Reynolds of Chirk Margaret, third daughter of Edward Davies of Rhiwlas, Llansilin, and a sister of **John Davies** (1652 - post 1716), the well-known genealogist. He married Eleanor, daughter of John Burgess of Oswestry, and resided in that town. He was himself an antiquary and made great use of the manuscripts of his uncle, **John Davies**, which came into his possession after the death of the latter. In 1736 he published *Heraldry Displayed*, a second edition of *A Display of Heraldry* by **Davies**, published in 1716. In 1739 he published *The Scripture Genealogy. Beginning at Noah and To which is added the Genealogy of the Caesars and Also, a Display of Heraldry of the particular Coat of Armours now in use in the Six Counties of North Wales etc.* This book, which has no great merit, is extremely rare. A copy is included among the **Peniarth MS 146**, now in the National Library of Wales. The Library also possesses an imperfect copy of the same work (**NLW MS 7192B**).

Author

Walter Thomas Morgan, (1912 - 1990)

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Works

John Reynolds, *A display of heraldry of the particular coat armours now in use in the six counties of North-Wales, and several others elsewhere; with the names of the families, whereby any man knowing from what family he is descended, may know his particular arms* (Chester 1739)

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