

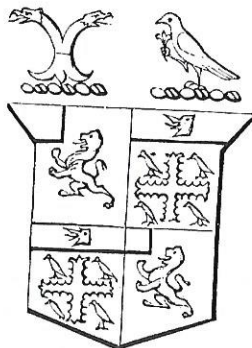
OWEN, OF BETTWS.

OWEN, *The Reverend* EDWARD-PRYCE, M.A. vicar of Wellington, and rector of Eyton, in Shropshire, *b.* 3rd March, 1788, *m.* in 1825, Mary, only daughter and heiress of Samuel Darby, esq. of Colebrookdale (see p. 310), and has one son and one daughter, viz.

HUGH-DARBY, *b.* 1st July, 1827.
Mary.

Mr. Owen succeeded his father 24th December, 1827.

Lineage.



WILLIAM OWEN, esq. of Bettws, in the county of Montgomery, second son of Thomas Owen, esq. of Llunllo, by his first wife, Anne, dau. of Sir Thomas Powell, knt. (see p. 510) *m.* Elizabeth, dau. of Richard Pryce, esq. of Henvaes, son of Thomas Pryce, esq. by Elizabeth his wife, daughter of John Lingaine, esq. of Bettws, and had, with a younger son, Thomas, *b.* in 1712, who died unmarried, a successor.

LINGEN OWEN, esq. of Bettws, *b.* in 1706, who married Mary, daughter of Jenkin Lloyd, esq. of Clockfaen, in the county of Montgomery, by Rachael his wife, daughter of John Fowler, esq. of Abbey Cwm hir, in the county of Radnor, younger son of William Fowler, esq. of Harnage Grange, who wedded Anna Perks, (see page 376). By Mary his wife, (who married secondly John Gethyn, gent. and died in 1797, aged ninety years), Lingen Owen had issue,

PRYCE, his heir.

Jane, who died unmarried.

Elizabeth, *m.* to William Jones, gent. of Newtown.

Mary, *m.* to — Morgan, gent.

Rachael, *m.* to Roger Pryce, esq. of Caerhowel, in Montgomeryshire.

Lingen Owen died in 1735, aged twenty-nine, and was *s.* by his only son,

PRYCE OWEN, of Bettws, then an infant, who, after receiving a liberal education, devoted himself to the study of medicine, took the degree of M.D. and was a physician in Shrewsbury, of distinguished ability and extensive practice. He *m.* Bridget, only daughter of John Whitfield, esq. of Shattoon, and left at his decease, 31st July, 1786, a daughter, Harriet, *m.* to the Rev. John Rocke, M.A. rector of Clungunford, in Shropshire, and a son,

THE REV. HUGH OWEN, M.A. minister of St. Julian's, Salop, and afterwards official of the royal Peculiar of St. Mary's, in the town of Shrewsbury, also Archdeacon of Salop, in the diocese of Lichfield, prebendary of Lichfield and Sarum, and Portionist of Bampton, in the county of Oxford. This gentleman was a profound English antiquarian, and deeply skilled in ecclesiastical and general history. "Some account of the ancient and present state of Shrewsbury, 1808," a work of great merit, several papers in the *Gentleman's Magazine*, and a "History of Shrewsbury, 1825," which the archdeacon and his learned friend, the Rev. John Brickdale Blakeway, just lived to bring to a close, remain monuments of his wide research and acute discrimination. With a mind richly stored with general knowledge and great taste, with a memory abounding in choice and interesting anecdotes, the archdeacon's powers of conversation were of a high order, relieved by an unfailling vein of good humour. In the performance of his professional duties he was faithful, pious, learned, and laborious. As a preacher, he was able and impressive, with a clear and powerful voice, while his delivery was solemn, earnest, and persuasive. Inviolably loyal to the throne, he was a sincere and warm advocate of constitutional liberty. This estimable person died 23rd December, 1827, and his remains, in the following January, were deposited in the cemetery of St. Julian's, Salop, amid the deep affliction of his relations, friends, and parishioners. The shops were closed during the day, and many of the neighbouring gentry and the inhabitants of the town attended in deep mourning.

Archdeacon Owen married Harriet, dau. of Edward Jeffreys, esq. of Shrewsbury, and had one son and one daughter, viz.

EDWARD-PRYCE, his heir.
Harriet, *m.* Charles Townshend Wilson, esq. (son of Richard Wilson, esq. of Tyrone, in Ireland, by his wife, the Hon. Anne Townshend, only daughter of the Right Hon. John Townshend, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and of his wife, Caroline Baroness Greenwich, see BURKE'S *Extinct Peerage*) and has two sons,

Charles-Townshend Wilson, born 1st May, 1822.

Hugh-Owen Wilson, *b.* 8th August, 1824.

The archdeacon was *s.* at his decease by his only son, the present REV. EDWARD-PRYCE OWEN, M.A.

Arms—Quarterly, first and fourth, arg. a lion rampant sa. a canton of the last; second and third, arg. a cross fleury engrailed sa. between four Cornish choughs ppr. on a chief azure, a boar's head couped arg. tusked or, and langued gu.

Crests—1. A Cornish chough ppr. holding in the dexter claw a fleur-de-lis arg. 2. Two eagles' heads conjoined and erased, parted (fess ways) or and gu. membered of the last.

Estates—In the counties of Salop and Montgomery.

Seat—Bettws Hall, Montgomery.

Residence—The Vicarage, Wellington, Shropshire.

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OWEN, WILLIAM, esq. of Woodhouse, in the county of Salop, *m.* Harriet-Elizabeth, eldest dau. of Major T. Cumming, of Bath, and has issue,

- i. William-Mostyn.
- ii. Arthur-Mostyn.
- iii. Francis-Mostyn.
- iv. Charles-Mostyn.
- v. Henry-Mostyn.

- i. Sarah-Harriet, *m.* to Edward Hosier Williams, esq. of Eaton Mascott, near Shrewsbury.
- ii. Frances, *m.* to Robert Myddelton Biddulph, esq. of Chirk Castle, one of the present representatives in parliament for the county of Denbigh.

- iii. Caroline.
- iv. Emma.
- v. Sobieski.

Mr. Owen inherited the estates at the demise of his father, 11th March, 1795.

Lineage.

HOWEL, the second son of Owen ap Griffith, of Llunllo, by his first wife, Isabel, daughter and heir of David Lloyd Middleton, (see p. 510) resided in Machynlleth, and was father of

RICHARD OWEN, who was a draper in Shrewsbury, and *m.* Alicia, daughter of David Ireland, of the same place, a gentleman of ancient family. The eldest son of this marriage,

EDWARD OWEN, esq. of Shrewsbury, one of the executors of his cousin, Judge Owen, of Conover, was father of

ROBERT OWEN, esq. of Woodhouse, high sheriff of Shropshire in 1618, who, by three wives, had eighteen children. He was *s.* by his son,

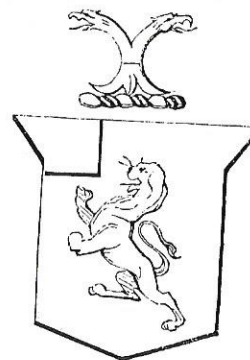
EDWARD OWEN, esq. of Woodhouse, *b.* in 1602, whose eldest surviving son,

ROBERT OWEN, esq. of Woodhouse, served the office of sheriff for Salop in 1667. He wedded Mary, daughter of John Eddisbury, and had issue,

JOHN, his heir.

Mary, who *m.* Piers Lloyd, esq. and hence descended JOHN LLOYD, esq.

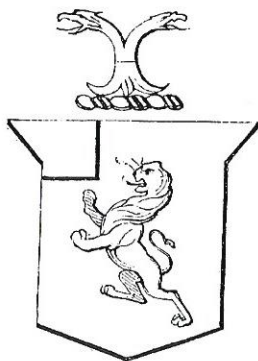
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OWEN, OF CONDOVER.

OWEN, EDWARD-WILLIAM-SMYTHE, esq. of Condober, in the county of Salop, *m.* Charlotte-Maria, sister of John Madocks, esq. of Vron-Iw, and Glanywern, M.P. for the Denbighshire Boroughs. This gentleman, whose patronymic is SMYTHE, succeeded to the Condober estates upon the demise of his uncle, 30th January, 1804, and assumed in consequence the surname and arms of OWEN. He was high sheriff for Shropshire in 1819.

Lineage.



RICHARD OWEN, youngest son of Owen ap Griffith, of Llunilo, by his second wife, Gwenhwyvar, eldest daughter and co-heir of Thomas Ireland, esq. (refer to p. 510) was a draper and merchant in Shrewsbury, he married Mary, daughter and co-heir of Thomas Ottley, esq. of that town, and had (with other issue) a son,

THOMAS OWEN, esq. of Condober, in Shropshire, an eminent lawyer and excellent man, who was one of the judges of the Common Pleas. His son and heir,

SIR ROGER OWEN, knt. of Condober, was, in 1597, chosen a representative in parliament for the borough of Shrewsbury, in 1601, knight of the shire for the county of Salop, and in 1604 appointed high sheriff thereof. Sir Roger was an eminent scholar, and corresponded with the most learned men of his time. Dying without issue male, he was *s.* by his brother,

SIR WILLIAM OWEN, knt. of Condober, high sheriff of Shropshire, in 1623, who *m.* Ellen, daughter of Sir Robert Needham, knt. of Shavington, and dying in 1662, was *s.* by his eldest son,

ROGER OWEN, esq. of Condober, *b.* in 1611, who wedded Alice, daughter of Gilbert, Lord Gerard, and by her, who remarried Henry Heylin, esq., he was father of

THOMAS OWEN, esq. of Condober, *b.* in 1641, whose son and successor, by Isabella, his wife, daughter of James Campbell, esq. of Woodford, in Essex,

ROGER OWEN, esq. of Condober, high sheriff of Shropshire, in 1708, *m.* first, Jane, dau. of Edward Vaughan, esq. of Trowscoed, by whom (who *d.* in 1700) he had two sons and a daughter, EDWARD, THOMAS, and LETITIA. He wedded secondly, Catherine, dau. of Sir John Booth, knt. and had a dau. Catherine, who *d.* young, in 1721. Roger Owen *d.* in 1717, and was *s.* by his eldest son,

EDWARD OWEN, esq. of Condober, who *m.* Mary, dau. and co-heir of Edward Owen, esq. of Eaton Mascott, but dying *s. p.* in 1728, the estates devolved on his brother,

THOMAS OWEN, esq. of Condober, who dying unm. 31st January, 1731, devised his lands to his sister,

LETITIA OWEN, of Condober, who wedded first, Richard Mytton, esq. of Halston, and secondly, Trafford Barnston, esq. of Churton, in Cheshire. By the first marriage there was an only daughter,

ANNA-MARIA MYTTON, who *m.* Sir Charlton Leighton, bart. of Loton, and dying in 1750, left with a son, Charlton Leighton, who became fourth baronet, three daughters,

ANNA-MARIA LEIGHTON.

Honor Leighton, *d.* unm.

Annabella Leighton, *m.* to William Childe, esq. of Kinlet.

To the eldest,

ANNA-MARIA LEIGHTON, her grandmother, Letitia Owen, by will dated 1750, devised the Condober estates for life, with remainder to her first and other sons, &c. Miss Leighton married Nicholas Smythe, esq. of Nibley, in the county of Gloucester, high sheriff for Shropshire in 1772, and had issue,

1. NICHOLAS-OWEN SMYTHE, heir.

1. Anna-Maria-Emma Smythe, who *m.* Edward Pemberton, esq. and had one son and two daughters, namely,

EDWARD-WILLIAM-SMYTHE PEMBERTON, successor to his uncle, and present proprietor of the Condober estates.

Harriet-Maria Pemberton, *m.* to Sir John Salusbury-Piozzi Salusbury, knt. of Brynbell, in the county of Flint.

Letitia-Caroline Pemberton.

11. Letitia-Sophia Smythe, *m.* to Henry Augustus Leicester, esq.