

NOTES FROM 'JOHN WESLEY IN WALES 1739 - 1790'

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Llantrisant and Fonmon

Cowbridge - Saturday 7th May, where he had a bad crowd, stone throwing etc.

Cardiff Castle and Wenvoe, Sunday 8th May

Wednesday 9 September 1767

About twelve I preached to a large and serious congregation in the Assembly Room at Cowbridge, and in the evening at the court-house at Cardiff where, both this and the following evening, we had most of the gentry in the town; and, both the mornings, the hearers were more than for many years. Who knows but, even in this desolate town, C may build up the waste places?

There are other visits to Cowbridge recorded in the book.

Wednesday 25 August 1779

..... and at six in the Town Hall at Cowbridge, much crowded and hot enough. The heat made it a little more difficult to speak, but by the mercy of God I was no more tired when I had done than when I rose in the morning.

Thursday 26 August 1779

I preached at five and again at eleven. I think this was the happiest time of all. The poor and the rich seemed to be equally affected. Oh how are the times changed at Cowbridge since the people compassed the house where I was and poured in stones from every quarter! But my strength was then according to my day and (blessed by God) so it is s