

## Notes on Richard Bassett and other local ministers

Brief memoir and letters of Revd R Bassett, vicar of Colwinston and E Bassett Esq Glamorgan. By Revd E Morgan AM, vicar of Syston, Leics.

Richard Bassett, b 7/11/1777 Sigginstone. His father lived on his own patrimony and occupied a large farm in addition. Richard was the second son. He attended C Grammar School, under the late Revd W Williams, with W Howells, the popular minister of Longacre, then Jesus College, Oxford. Matriculated, but on the death of his father returned home to superintend the farm.

Ordained deacon 26/6/1801; priest 27/6/1802. Curacy at St Athan.

Introduced by Revd W Howells to Revd D Jones of Llangan. Welsh Calvinistic Methodist Connexion had been founded by ministers of the Church of England; Mr Jones and many other clergymen attended the private and public meetings of that body. Bassett also.

By 1818 Richard Bassett lived at Sigginstone where he held a little land. From there he was serving Llandow.

1824 Mr W Williams, formerly of Llysworney. Born and bred at....-coed, Carms. Preacher with Welsh Cal. Con. Married a Miss Prichard of Gorllewin, a notable family. Died 4/5/1792; buried at Salem by Dr Jones of Llangan.

1826 Lord Clarendon at Penllyn invited Richard Bassett to breakfast to meet the new Bishop, Dr Sumner.

1832 J M Traherne of Coedriglan presents Richard Bassett to benefice of Eglwys Brewis (compatible with keeping Llandow).

By 1843 presented to vicarage of Colwinston by Mr Thomas the patron.