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# CYLCHGRAWN.CYMDEITHAS ALAWON.GWERIN.CYMRV

"Moes erddygan a chanu
Dwg i'n gerdd deg awen gu,
Trwy'r dolydd taro'r delyn,
Oni bo'r iâs yn y bryn."

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Sung to the Editor by Mr. Hopkins-Jones, of the Bangor University College, and heard by him in South Carmarthenshire. The words have appeared in print in the Carmarthen Journal and in various collections of 'Cerddi.'

A form differing slightly from the above has been noted by Mrs. Mary Davies from the singing of Stanley Roberts, Esq. (January 14th, 1910), who had learnt it at Llanwrda, Fishguard.—ED.

"The words of this song were written by Daniel Jones, 'Sgubor, Castell Hywel, Llandyssul; or, as he is called in the old copies, Daniel Jones, molecatcher."—J. H. D.

#### 7. MAE NHW'N D'WEDYD (A pennillion tune with refrain)



Sung to the Editor at Colwyn Bay, July, 1910, by Mr. Cynfi Jones, Council School, Prenteg, near Portmadoc, after his mother, who had learnt it at Ebenezer near Llanberis, from an old woman, a native of Lleyn. It is an excellent example of the lighter form of Dorian melody.

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### 8. CHWILIO'R TY (A pennillion tune.)



Noted by the Editor from the singing of Mr. W. S. Jones, Llanllyfni, and others. An example of a penillion tune without chorus. The words that go best with this particular air are such as have pronounced alliteration, as in the above example, or the better known "Mwyn yw llun a main yw llais," &c.—ED.

"The words are well known, being the last verse in a ballad entitled 'Lladron Plas y Cilgwyn' ('The Thieves of Plas y Cilgwyn'). In the ballad they appear in the following form:

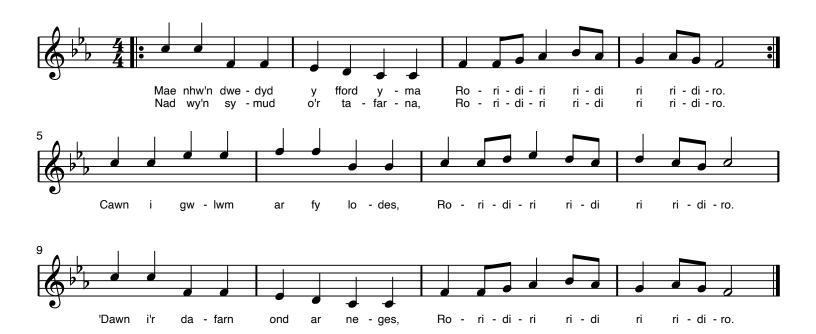
'Chwalu'r to a chwilio'r tŷ,
A thynu hefo thenyn
O'i farrau 'r coed i ferwi 'r cig,
Nadolig oedd yn dilyn.
Aflwydd i'r fro fu 'r gwledda 'n fras
Ar danwydd Plas y Cilgwyn.'

They were said to be composed by one Richard Owen. The ballad is printed in *Cerddi Gwlad y Gan*, Humphreys, Carnarvon (No. 47)."—J. H. D.



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