
ACTOR LEAVES STAGE & SCREEN

Mr. Thomas Jeffreys, of Baltimore, U.S.A., who recently paid a visit to Llanelly, his native town, has sent us the following cutting from a Baltimore newspaper concerning Mr. Gareth Hughes, son of the late Mr. Elias Hughes, of Llwynhendy, Llanelly, who some years ago came into prominence as a stage and screen actor and has spent most of his life in the United States:—

“A man that all Hollywood can be well proud of is Reverend Gareth Hughes, who gave up an acting career to go into the desert and build a church in a desolate community at Wadsworth. Gareth has had almost no money to carry on his work but he's looked after the families, many of them Indians.

Last Thursday Hedy Lamar and Mark Stevens went to visit him, and it was a fine thing to do because all the little children of the neighbourhood came to see them. Hedy and Mark attended the vesper service which was held in Gareth's church.

“What he has done for those children is unbelievable in the way of clothing as well as spiritual help. He does need money however to continue his work.”

Mr. Jeffreys explains that Wadsworth is in the California desert.

Mr. Gareth Hughes is an old boy of the Llanelly Grammar School. His father was a well-known elocutionist and eisteddfodwr.