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Pistyll Meigan

Holy Well

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By the side of a duck pond in the farmyard of Pistyll Meigan is a spring that at one period much exercised the minds of men. In the year 1592 George Owen, Alban Stepneth and John Ap Rees received letters from Her Majesty's Privy Council "forthwith with all convenient speed to repair to the place called St. Meygans where some-tyme offeringes and superstitious pilgrimages have been used, and there to cause to be pulled down and utterlie defaced all reliques and monumentes of that chappell not leaving one stone thereon upon another." This order was carried out so literally that we quite failed to find the foundation. But the spring still runs. For this story see Owen's PEMBROKSHIRE Vol. I, note 271. The church is marked in George Owen's map of the county in the same volume. St. Meigan's fair is still held at Eglwysrw and St. Dogmells.