



Pictorial map of Wales

ALEPH [HARVEY, William].
 Wales.

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Anthropomorphic map of Wales. The text below the image reads, "Geography bewitch'd - Owen Glendowr, In Bardic grandeur, looks from shore to shore, And sings King Arthur's long, long pedigree, and cheese and leeks, and knights of high degree". It was published in 'Geographical Fun', a charming atlas of caricature maps of European counties, drawn, according to the preface, by a fifteen-year-old girl to amuse her sick brother. The author was, however, William Harvey (1796-1873), a London doctor and journalist, best-known for his book 'London Scenes and London People', 1863. The maps contain many references to the political changes sweeping through continental Europe, with representations of Garibaldi and Bismarck.

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