

Thomas McKenny Hughes M.A., F.R.S.

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Timeline

Date	Details
1832	Born at Aberystwyth. Son of Bishop of St. Asaph, brother of Bishop of Llandaff, grandson of Sir Thomas McKenny, Bart. Educated at Leamington and Llandovery Colleges and Trinity College, Cambridge (1853-7). Associate of Ray Club, and attended Sedgwick's' le
1860	Appointed Secretary to C.T. Newton, Consul in Rome.
1861	Acting Consul in Rome.

Invitation from Murchison to join Geological Survey. Appointed Assistant Geologist. Work, mapping of chalk and limestone, Eocene in the Medway Valley and near Faversham and Sittingbourne. Results published in Whitaker's Memoir on London Basin (1872).

- 1862 Elected F.G.S.
- 1865-1866 Work near Hertford and St. Albans. Described drift-gravels of "Lower Plain" and "Higher Plain"
- 1866 Transferred to Lake District (Aveline and Sedgwick).
- 1867 Published views in Silurian supporting Sedgwick's (Geol. Magazine).
Results of field work in memoirs on "Kirkby Lonsdale and Kendal"(with Aveline and Tiddeman)(1872) and "Kendal, Sedbergh, Bowness and Tebay" (with Aveline)(1872).
M.A. degree.
Promoted to Geologist.
- 1873 Elected to Chair of Geology at Cambridge on death of Sedgwick.
- 1875 Elected President of Chester Society of Natural Science.
Also President of Kendal Literary and Scientific Society.
Continued field work chiefly in Wales.
- 1889 Elected F.R.S.
- 1890 "Life and Letters of Sedgwick" 2 volumes. (Clark and Hughes)
- 1891 Lyell Medal.
- 1904 Sedgwick Mueum opened.
- 1917 Died June 9th.

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