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**Sir John Davies**  (1569-1626)

(English poet, son of John Davies, of Westbury, Wiltshire, lawyer at New Inn and Westbury; st. Queen's College, Oxford, and Middle Temple 1588; BA Oxford 1590; expelled from Temple Hall; MP 1601; restored to Temple; courtier; solicitor-general to Ireland, 1603; knighted 1607, Speaker of the Irish House of Commons; 1620 English MP for Newcastle-under-Line; d. of apoplexy soon after appointment as Lord Chief Justice)

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