

# GENEALOGY DATABASE ENTRY

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helped develop the present method of making practical work in the laboratory an essential part of the courses in biological science; founded the *Journal of Physiology*; started the Biological School of Cambridge; helped found the Physiological Society of England; wrote textbooks on embryology and physiology; studied the effects of electrical currents, temperature, and poisons on heart muscle and concluded that its contractions were not coordinated by nerves; investigated theories of the coagulation of the blood, the presence of glycogen in round worms, fermentation, and various anatomical topics.

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