

# GENEALOGY DATABASE ENTRY

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1831 - 1907

DEGREE: BA (mathematics)      DATE: 1854

PLACE: Cambridge

TEACHER/RESEARCH ADVISOR: Hopkins

studied dynamics of rigid objects and introduced a modified Lagrangian function to compute their motion; analyzed solution of differential equations describing the dynamic motions of objects; pioneered use of moving coordinate system to analyze curvature of three dimensional curves; most influential and successful teacher of mathematics at Cambridge - tutored over 500 students (nearly half of the math students at Cambridge during his tenure), including Rayleigh, Larmor, Thomson, and Stirling.

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