

GENEALOGY DATABASE ENTRY

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1. *Dictionary of National Biography*; Smith, Elder & Co.: 1908-1986; vol. 5, p675-677.
2. See Clark, J. W.; Hughes, T. M. *The Life and Letters of the Reverend Adam Sedgwick*; Cambridge University Press: 1890; vol.1, p60-71.