

EVANS, LEWIS (1755 - 1827), mathematician

Name: Lewis Evans
Date of birth: 1755
Date of death: 1827
Child: Arthur Benoni Evans
Parent: Thomas Evans
Gender: Male
Occupation: mathematician
Area of activity: Science and Mathematics
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Born at Caerleon-on-Usk, he was the son of THOMAS EVANS (1716 - 1774), of Bassaleg, Monmouth, cleric and schoolmaster, and the grandson of a RICE EVANS of whom nothing further is known. Lewis Evans, after a clerical career, became first mathematical master at Woolwich Military Academy, and was elected F.R.S. (1823). His Welsh birth would barely justify his inclusion here, for he had no other contact with Wales, but the remarkable record of his family deserves summary mention. His younger son, ARTHUR BENONI EVANS (1781 - 1854), schoolmaster and author, was the father of Sir JOHN EVANS (1823 - 1908), the famous archaeologist and numismatist, and of SEBASTIAN EVANS (1830 - 1909), glass designer and man of letters. Sir John's son, Sir ARTHUR JOHN EVANS (1851 - 1941), keeper of the Ashmolean Museum, was even more famous, for his excavations in Crete. In addition to the articles in the *D.N.B.* or its supplements on all these, there is a monograph on the family, *Time and Chance*, 1943, by Joan Evans.

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