

Ogden Nicholas Rood

(1831 - 1902)

B.S. Princeton 1852 ⁴

Dissertation:

Advisor:

Students: Robert Andrew Millikan ^{1,3}

Notes:

- ¹ Millikan, R. A. A study of the polarization of the light emitted by incandescent solid and liquid surfaces. Ph.D. Thesis, Columbia University, 1895. (This appeared in *Phys. Rev.* **1895**, 3(14), 81-192.)
"In conclusion, I will add that this investigation was suggested to me by Professor Rood, and I wish here to express my thanks to him,..."
- ² Email communication with Lalla Grimes, Administrative Coordinator, Columbia Physics Dept. (9 Oct 2001).
RA Millikan was the first Ph.D. graduate of the Columbia Physics dept and there is no record of his research sponsor.
- ³ Millikan, R.A. Autobiography of Robert Andrew Millikan. New York: Prentice-Hall, 1950, p 20.
Ogden N. Rood was the advisor.
- ⁴ Nichols, Edward L. Ogden Nicholas Rood. *Biographical Memoirs of the National Academy of Sciences* **1909**, 6, 447-472.
"graduated from Princeton College" in 1852 – no mention of a degree type however he did go to two German universities to do graduate work after his time at Princeton.