

MRS. SIDONS, QUEEN OF THE ENGLISH STAGE

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BIOGRAPHICAL STUDIES FOR GIRLS

BY CHARLOTTE BREWSTER JORDAN. V-SARAH KEMBLE SIDONS, (1755-1831.)

Sir Joshua Reynolds' magnificent portrait of Mrs. Siddons as the Tragic Muse, an interesting study from its artistic value, because it recalls the gallantry of the painter and the personality of his subject.

with her distinctive stage genius, her rich, warm voice, and her sympathetic interpretations. Her spirited face has been described by a contemporary as "so thoroughly harmonized when quiescent and so expressive when impassioned that most people think her more beautiful than she is."

In 1812 she took her leave of the public in her great character of Lady Macbeth, and reappeared on the stage only in benefit performances. She occasionally varied the irksome vacuity of the remaining 20 years of her life by readings in public before the royal family, chiefly from Milton or Shakespeare.

She was married to the actor John Kemble, who was a member of the Shakespearean company in London. She was a devoted mother and a devoted actress.

At a mutual attachment sprung up between Sarah Kemble and a Mr. Siddons, an indifferent actor, but a very good manager of itinerants. This attachment met with the stern disapproval of the Imperious Mrs. Kemble, who hastily expelled her daughter to the company of the itinerant.

Immediately after their marriage young Mr. and Mrs. Siddons began acting at Cheltenham and attracted the favorable criticism of the families of the neighborhood.

In 1822 she published a book called "The Story of Our First Parents, Selected from Milton's 'Paradise Lost,' for the Use of Young Persons." Her poetical compositions were not fully published.

But the hereditary tendencies of four generations of actors were not to be overcome by this sudden blight. With her husband and two children Mrs. Siddons now returned to the provinces, where for six years she played, chiefly at York and Bath.

At the historical society several valuable accessions made within the week. The rooms of the Oregon Historical Society, top floor of City Hall, Northwest corner of 10th and Commercial streets, were opened for public inspection from 10 to 12 o'clock A. M., 1 to 6 and 7 to 9 P. M. today.

Her steady manner in tragedy gradually became habitual to her life, and she was not always engaging to strangers. Mrs. Thrale exclaimed upon first meeting the renowned actress: "Why, this is a leaden goddess we are all worshipping! However, we shall soon get rid of her."

Comparisons with Rachel, the great French tragedienne, were inevitable. Those favored in beholding the art of both actresses were generally agreed that in her acting Mrs. Siddons was superior to Rachel.

Indiana, out of selected oak and hickory, under the special supervision of the late James Abraham, of the East Side, and with five yoke of oxen attached, driven across the plains in 1832, and was used by him on his farm for more than 40 years thereafter.

A portrait in oil of Rev. Ekanah Walker by Stanley in 1847, a noted portrait painter of that day, and the first in Oregon. He had arranged to paint portraits of Dr. Marcus Whitman and wife, but the measure on November 28, 1847, prevented it.

Deed from Abel Pease, "Long Meadow, County of Hampshire and State of Massachusetts," for the consideration of \$33 in lawful money, to Theophilus Swetland, of eight acres of land, dated June 24, 1789.

From L. Q. Swetland of this city, who just returned from a brief visit to Massachusetts. Educators, students and strangers in rooms are rapidly becoming a center of positive educational value.

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It is of the greatest importance to impress upon each individual that this question touches them, as well as our race; in fact, the thought of total abstinence touches the lives of all men and women. Back of the sin and misery with which we are surrounded is the liquor traffic. It is certainly the worst evil with which we have to deal.

Uncle Jack Morrow's Cabin, Native Sons of Oregon, No. 2, was organized by Hon. S. T. Jeffreys, of Portland, last Saturday evening, March 10, at Heppner, with the following officers: Junior past president, Frank Gilliam, president, E. S. Freeland; first vice-president, M. J. Geary; second vice-president, Eli Keene; third vice-president, Jack Mallock; financial secretary, J. H. Beal; general secretary, J. W. Shiloh; treasurer, George Conser; marshal, J. J. Wells; trustees, A. B. Thompson, Walter Crawford, Frank Sloan.

Woodstock School to Open. The Woodstock School, which was closed two weeks ago on account of the smallpox scare in that district, will be reopened Monday morning. It has now been about two weeks since the patient was removed to the pest house, and the directors think that all danger of spread has passed.

Improvement at Engine Co. No. 8. Engineer Fanning, of Engine Company No. 8, Upper Albina, has contrived an excellent method of keeping the water in the boiler of the engine, which is in advance of anything of the sort at any of the engine houses.

THE UNIVERSAL GRAB

ISSUES TO ANNOY REPUBLICANS—FATE OF RECIPROcity TREATIES.

Interests of Expansion and Protection Greatly Embarrass the Party.

Washington, D. C.—(Chicago Record's staff correspondence.)—Sooner or later the Republican party will come up against an economic question which will seem a thousand times more serious than the one which now perplexes it.

Under the present law sugar from the Philippine Islands pays the same duty in the United States custom-house as that from any foreign country—viz., 17.50 per hundred weight—but the most of it has gone to the sugar-growing countries of Cuba, Java, and the West Indies.

There are now 28 beet-sugar mills in the United States, representing an investment of \$10,000,000. Only four were in operation in 1896, and they are scattered all over the Union.

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