

Basic Detail Report



Title The Life & Age of Woman.

Date 1848-1850

Primary Maker Kelloggs & Comstock

Medium Lithography; printer's ink and watercolor on wove paper

Description Eleven figures of girls and women are posed on a tiered pedestal. At the far left is an infant in a wicker cradle. She holds a rattle in her left hand. On the next step is a small girl wearing a dress and pantalets and holding a doll. On the third step, an older girl wearing a dress and apron holds a letter and a rose. On the fourth step is a young bride in her wedding gown and veil. On the fifth step is a young mother with an infant. On the top step is a middle-aged woman wearing a bonnet and cloak and holding a purse or reticule. On the first descending step at the right, an older woman wearing a cap and shawl over her dress holds a balance and a set of keys. On the next descending step, the woman

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appears older and more stooped. She is dressed in mourning, with a black

bonnet and a dark dress. She holds a book and a handkerchief. On the next

descending step, she wears a cap, eyeglasses, and an apron and leans on a cane.

On the final descending step, she appears as an extremely bent and aged

woman, leaning heavily on her cane and pointing upwards with her right hand.

At the far right, an extremely old woman sits hunched in a chair, wearing a cap

and holding knitting in her hands. Vignettes beneath the primary images show a

girl in an interior, a rose, a tree, a tree bearing fruit, a fountain, a mill, a church,

an elderly woman and a young couple seated in an interior, and an elderly

woman with a cane walking towards an armchair. A sturdy deciduous tree is at

the upper left; a weeping willow is at the upper right. In a vignette beneath the

arched subtitle, a gravedigger stands beside an open grave in a cemetery. A man

and a woman stand nearby. A horse-drawn hearse and a funeral procession

approach from the left background.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (image height x width): 8 1/2 x 12 11/16in. (21.6

x 32.2cm) Sheet (height x width): 12 1/2 x 17 1/16in. (31.8 x 43.3cm)