

THE LATE MRS. GIRARD-CLARK.

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Mrs. Harriet Girard-Clark, widow of the late Dr. John Yardley Clark, died yesterday at the residence of her son-in-law, Col. C. H. Gibson, No. 1,131 Girard-street, after a lingering illness. Although she was the daughter of John Girard, the oldest brother of Stephen Girard, her name will be best remembered by the generation that is passing away. For almost 20 years Mrs. Girard-Clark has been an invalid, and about three years ago she was prostrated by a stroke of paralysis, from which she never recovered. In earlier years she married Baron Henry Lallemand, a General of artillery under the first Napoleon, who was an exile in America while Napoleon was at St. Helena, and her relations with the Bonaparte family were of a very intimate character. By her first marriage she had one child, a daughter, Carolino Lallemand, who married the Count de St. Marsault. After the death of Gen. Lallemand, which occurred many years ago, Mrs. Lallemand married John Yardley Clark, M. D., a prominent physician of his time, and who died in 1863. At the period of her second marriage Mrs. Girard-Clark resided at the old family mansion, which stood at Twelfth and Market streets. At that time there was an open square in the vicinity, and adjoining the house where she died to-day was the stable and grounds of the family, the property being rented from Stephen Girard, while Gen. Joseph Bonaparte and the French Ambassadors lived in a house close by, and were frequent visitors at the old mansion. Shortly after her second marriage Mrs. Clark moved with her second husband to Paris, where she resided for many years. Her home was a centre of attraction to Americans abroad and to the best French people, and many from England and other places. Her brilliant conversational powers and fine education brought her in contact with the nobility, and made her a general favorite not only in Parisian society but in other capitals of Europe. She was also an accomplished linguist, and her extensive travels in Europe gave to her conversation an interest that drew around her a charmed circle of friends. While Joseph Napoleon Bonaparte lived at Bordentown she was a frequent guest at his house, and was desired to make her home there. She had two sisters, Mrs. John Hemple and Mrs. Franklin Peale, the latter having married a son of Charles Wilson Peale, the artist, of Revolutionary fame. She leaves a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren, all of whom reside in France, one of her granddaughters being the wife of Col. Gerhardt, of the French Army. Her only surviving daughter is Mrs. Florence Gibson, wife of Col. C. H. Gibson, at whose house the deceased quietly passed away.

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