

Portrait of Marietta Holley by Theodore Pine. This portrait of Marietta Holley was a bequest to the library from the estate of Marietta Holley in 1926.

Marietta Holley was born in Jefferson County in 1836 and was resident of Pierrepont Manor when she passed away in 1926.

She was an American humorist who popularized women's rights using the name "Josiah Allen's wife" and Samantha Allen.

She wrote over twenty books using rural humor to sarcastically discuss feminist views. She was a friend and correspondent with Susan B. Anthony.

During the height of her career, she was called "The Female Mark Twain".

The artist, Theodore Pine was born in New Jersey in 1827, and died in 1905 in Ogdensburg NY.