

Answered
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5 ENDSLEIGH GARDENS.

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Dear Mr. Little,

A lady
with whom I am inti-
mately acquainted, Mrs.
Petrici, is anxiously de-
sirous of taking part in
the Shelleian theatricals -
Hellas or Lenci.

Mrs. Petrici is an An-
glo-Greek. She took to the
stage some 10 years or

more ago, her stage-name being
Miss Edmeston, & has played all
sorts of characters - Juliet, Lady
Macbeth, Beatrice, Madlle de Belle-
Isle, &c &c, with considerable ap-
plause - in London, & more especi-
ally in the provinces. One of the cha-
racters in wh. I have myself seen
her is Beatrice (Much Ado about
Nothing): I thought her decidedly
good, & in the strongest dramatic
situation I liked her better than
Miss Terry. She c^d not take any
singing part: in Hellas I think every
female part has some singing.

If the Shelley Soc^y can
give Mr^s Petrici a part, I shall be

Sincerely & much gratified. Having
been unable (owing to a death in the
family) to take any share whatever
in the getting-up of the Lenci last
Spring, I really have very little idea
of who managed these matters for us,
& how: I therefore address you as
our proper representative, & w^d beg
you to set the matter going in due
form. I sh^d of course be ready to
answer any further questions &c.

The last address of Mr^s Petrici
in London was 4 Endsleigh St, Eas-
ton Sq, N.W.: she is at present playing
at Oldham, but may be back I
suppose in 2 or 3 weeks.

Yours very truly,

W. M. Rossetti



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