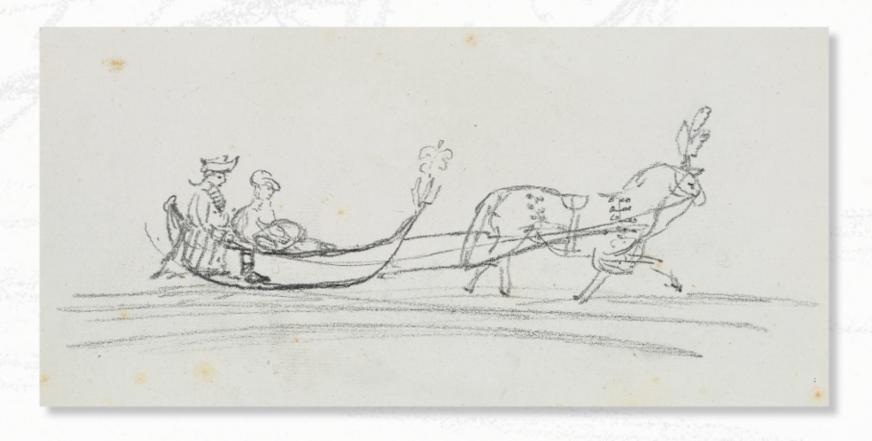
James Thomas Townley Tisdall

James Thomas Townley Tisdall (1792-1850) was the son of James Tisdall and Catherine Maria Dawson, who after her first husband's death remarried and became the Countess of Charleville. As the son of the Countess of Charleville, a prolific letter writer at the centre of literary circles, Tisdall grew up in a literary world populated by writers such as Joanna Baillie and Amelia Opie. At Eton, Tisdall made literary connections of his own, befriending the radical poet Percy Shelley, before venturing on travels around Europe on his own Grand Tour. He recorded these in a series of interesting and unique travel diaries, filled with intricate sketches of the exotic new landscapes he encountered on his journey.



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