



The Untold Story of Aileen McErlean

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Creative Part of Lady Macbeth Essay

Lady Macbeth wasn't always known as Lady Macbeth her name was Aileen

McErlean. She was one of 6 girls in her family. Her mother was born into royalty. Her died from measles when she was only 6 years old. As the youngest Aileen always used her charm to get whatever she wanted. Time went on she got older, all her sisters married but her. Her mother thought it was time for her to marry, before she became to grey and died. Her mother arranged a marriage with a lovely gentlemen named Macbeth. Macbeth did not come from money or power but he knew Aileen since they were both little. The date was set and they should be married the day after Aileen's 21st birthday. Aileen did not agree with her mothers choice, she tried her charm on her to change her mother's mind but it did not work. Aileen wanted to see the world and experience new things. She did not have to worry about being heir of the throne, she had 5 sisters in line to take over why does she even need to bother. Her mother told her you must settle down and stay in Scotland where you belong. As the good child Aileen obeyed her mother and stayed in Scotland waiting to be wed.

It was time for the wedding. Aileen married her childhood friend and he took her off to his castle. Aileen was officially known as Lady Macbeth. She had no name anymore. She would stay by her husbands side until the end. As time went by Lady Macbeth tried to have kids but she couldn't. It just wasn't in her fate. This made Lady Macbeth very sad, but she had to be happy for her husband. Macbeth loved having a wife around, it filled the hole he had in his heart. Lady Macbeth did not feel the same way. It took her 5 more years of marriage before she appreciated her husband, but she felt like something was missing. The title Lady Macbeth was not suiting her anymore.

A war struck Scotland and Macbeth was to fight in it as General with his friend Banquo. The war was long and many soldiers died. Macbeth killed a traitor who was supposed to be for Scotland but was fighting for Norway. In a quick swift Macbeth killed the traitor and got the title Thane of Cawdor. He wrote a detailed letter to his lovely wife about the new title. Lady Macbeth was happy about this, it gave her a new feeling of power. She wanted more while her husband was on his way home she came up with a plan. A plan so crazy if planned wrong it would get her killed. Macbeth came home with the king for a party she convinced her husband to kill the king. "O never shall sun that morrow see" (Act 1 Scene 5 Line 60-61) Macbeth was hesitant at first but he did it to make his wife happy.

Lady Macbeth wanted to make sure the king would never know the truth so she played off her plan. She was a good hostess, she put on her good clothes, she smiled for the king and even flirted with him. "Your majesty loads our house. For those of old, And the late dignities heaped up to them". (Act 1 Scene 6 Line 19-20).

The dinner went well and it was almost time for bed. Macbeth was getting cold feet and ran away in the middle of dinner. Lady Macbeth wanted the money and power she said dearest husband of mine. Do this for little ole me. It would make me happy. "Come on, gentle my lord, Slink o'er your rugged looks. Be bright and jovial .Among your guests tonight." (Act 3 Scene 2 Line 28) They went back to dinner and enjoyed the night.

Lady Macbeth couldn't been any happier. Her husband killed of the king and she is now Queen of Scotland. She has money and power all because she used her little charm she once used to get a new toy on her husband and convinced him to kill of the king. Life was good. Not a single worry in the world. What she didn't know is she created a killing machine. A dictator,

almost, everyone in the kingdom feared Macbeth. To keep their little secret safe Macbeth kills off everyone who might know the truth of what happened to the king. One night Lady Macbeth tried to talk to her husband he tells her “I am in blood Stepp'd in so far that, should I wade no more” (Act 3 Scene 4 Line 135-136). He is drowning in the blood shed by all his victims. Lady Macbeth didn't know about the killing she thought her husband was just a little crazy from the pressure of being king.

The spotlight slowly faded away and Lady Macbeth put two and two together. She learned she doesn't want the money and power she wants to go back home where her mother . She doesn't want to be Lady Macbeth any more. She wants to be Aileen McErlean the free spirited girl who used her charm for new toys, now her charm just feels like a scar on her hand. A scar so deep it changed Lady Macbeth. She no longer used her charm. She felt depressed and lonely, like no one could hear her. She starts losing her grip on the truth, she went crazy and starting seeing blood on her hand, every time she tried to wash it off it would come back. “Out, damned spot! Out, I say!—One, two. Why, then, 'tis time to do 't. Hell is murky!—Fie, my lord, fie! A soldier, and afeard? What need we fear who knows it, when none can call our power to account?—Yet who would have thought the old man to have had so much blood in him.” (Act 5 Scene 1 Line 35)

Lady Macbeth could not cope with what she had done. She had gotten a letter that day saying her mother has passed away after 90 years of life. She had nothing to live for. She could not go back home where her sisters would just judge her about her marriage not lasting or how she doesn't have any kids. She just wanted her mom to hold her again like everything was okay. She know there was one easy way out. She took a knife from the kitchen and walked back to her

room where stabbed herself. One deep stab into the heart, she laid lifeless in her room. The maid found her and screamed her heart out. The maid ran to Seyton who ran to Macbeth to tell him the news. Macbeth's response was "She should have died hereafter. There would have been a time for such a word." (Act 5 Scene 5 Line 17-18).

That was it Lady Macbeth was gone. Not a single goodbye to the world. No one knew why she did it or how. What happened at Castle Macbeth stayed in castle Macbeth. The world never knew what made Lady tic. They just knew she went crazy and died. And that was The Untold Told story of Aileen McErlean