



Sarah Augusta Stevenson, b. 1842 in Illinois, d. 1926 in Oregon City. She came west in 1853. Her father was captain of the wagon train. They left Illinois on April 4, 1853, and arrived at Foster, Oregon, by way of the Barlow Trail, on Oct. 8, 1853.

She was married at 16 to James Winslow Chase, b. 1834 in Vermont, d. 1910 in Oregon City. His family had crossed the plains in 1851. He was a master mechanic and helped to install the machinery in the Oregon City Woollen Mills. He was an early socialist and an advocate of workers' strikes.

This picture shows Augusta in Alaska in 1898, where she had gone with other investors to see a gold mine in which she had stock. Contrast the tenting and the makeshift parlor on the next page.

Apparently, she was a remarkable woman; knew the life of a pioneer woman; but she also had the taste to bring back from Alaska a little bit of the latest fashion.



The James Chase parlor in the bluff in Oregon City. Note Madison River which hung so many of Sada Chase Rowland's. Jim Rowland's of the woodwork by the foreground, and the large antelope.