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# Robert Southey (1774-1843)

 (English romantic poet, expelled from Westminster School, young radical, conservative later; friend and later brother-in-law of Coleridge; m. Elizabeth Fricker 1795 (d. 1837) and Caroline Bowles 1839; travelled in Spain and Portugal; l. Lake District; pensioned 1805; wrote for the *Quarterly Review;* Poet Laureate 1813, frequently accused of political opportunism; mental decay in old age)

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