

Basic Detail Report

Title Mary Gay Beattie

Date c. 1880-1889

Primary Maker Mary Gay Beattie

Medium Photography; nitrate negatives

Description Black and white photographic negative of a photograph of a portrait photograph of Mary Gay Beattie taken in Edinburgh, Scotland by W. Crooke, c. 1880s. The original portrait rests on a ruled table and appears to be the size of a cartes-de-visite. Mary Gay Beattie is shown in a bust-length view, she wears a highly decorated bodice in a dark color with exaggerated shoulders and a high neckline. At the center of the neckline, she wears a brooch. Her dark hair is styled in a chignon on the crown of her head, and she is wearing dangling earrings. This negative is a 20th century photograph of a 19th century photograph.