

Basic Detail Report

Title Mary Frances Bull

Date about 1865

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Daguerreotype; silver-coated copper plate in brass window mat package in tooled leather-covered wooden case. Embossed green velvet pad in left side of open case.

Description Ninth plate daguerreotype of a woman, probably Mary Frances Bell (or possibly one of her sisters) by an unknown photographer. She is sitting in a chair in front of a painted backdrop depicting a generic landscape. She is wearing a dress with a deep v neck and a white garment beneath it. The sleeves of the dress are bell-shaped, and Bull is wearing lace cuffs (or undersleeves) under them. Her white lace collar has a scalloped hem, and she is wearing a narrow ribbon fastened with a brooch over it. Her hair is parted in the middle and appears to be worn looped under itself so that it appears bobbed to the bottom of her ears.

Dimensions Plate (height x width): 2 1/2 × 2in. (6.4 × 5.1cm) Other (case height x width x depth): 3 × 2 1/2 × 1/2in. (7.6 × 6.4 × 1.3cm)