

Basic Detail Report

Title Emma C. Burdett

Date about 1855

Primary Maker Emma C. Burdett

Medium Ambrotype; collodion on glass with dark backing layer in brass window mat package in tooled leather-covered wooden case. Embossed purple velvet mat in (detached) left side of case

Description Ninth-plate ambrotype of a young woman, identified on an inscription beneath the image plate as Emma C. Burdett at the age of 18. She is wearing a dress with a row of buttons down the bodice, a white collar, and what may be a wide belt at the waistline. Her hair is parted in the middle and fashioned into plaits in buns at her ears.

Dimensions Plate (height x width): $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2$ in. (6.4×5.1 cm) Other (case height x width x depth): $2\frac{7}{8} \times 2\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$ in. ($7.3 \times 6.4 \times 1.3$ cm)