

Maria Gowen Brooks papers, ca. 1827-1946, bulk (ca. 1827-1843)

3 linear foot (1 box)

Maria Gowen Brooks (1794 or 5-1845) was an American poet who lived in New England and Cuba. Brooks was also known as Maria del Occidente.

Collection consists of Brooks's correspondence, some copies, relating to her work and to personal matters, and poems including manuscript of *Zophiël* with revisions and comments. Correspondents include W.B. Force, Rufus Griswold, Fitz-Greene Halleck, Robert Southey, George Ticknor, and E. P. Whipple.

1. Letters to E.P. Whipple, 1843 Sep 14 and Dec 12; and "An English Coast-Picture," from *Appletons' Journal* (negative photostats)
2. Letters to Fitz-Greene Halleck, 1842 Jun 10 and 15 (negative photostats)
3. Letter to George Ticknor, 1843 May 27 (negative photostat)
4. Original manuscript of the poem, "Zophiel." 1 bound volume.
5. Letter to Rufus W. Griswold, 1843 Dec. 12 (negative photostat)
6. Letter to Rufus W. Griswold from Horace Brooks, 1846 Feb 19
7. Letter to Rufus W. Griswold, 1843 Jan 31 (with transcript)
8. Letters to Robert Southey, 1833 Feb 25; 1834 Feb 12; 1837 Oct 23; 1840 Aug. 30
9. Letters re Brooks, received or collected by T.O. Mabbott; portraits of Brooks
10. Transcripts of poems by Brooks
11. Letter to W.B. Force, 1844 Sep 3 (negative photostat)