

**Abigail Field Mott commonplace book, undated  
MC.975.03.027**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Haverford College Quaker & Special Collections
<b>Creator</b>	Mott, Abigail Field, 1766-1851
<b>Title</b>	Abigail Field Mott commonplace book
<b>Date</b>	Undated
<b>Extent</b>	0.12 Linear feet
<b>Language</b>	English

### Preferred Citation

Abigail Field Mott commonplace book (MC.975.03.027), Quaker & Special Collections, Haverford College, Haverford, PA.

## Biographical note

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Abigail Field Mott (1766-1851) was a Quaker writer and abolitionist. She was born October 20, 1766, in Purchase, N.Y., the daughter of Uriah and Mary Field. She married Richard Mott, and the couple had four children: William Mott (b. 1790), Robert Field (b. 1794), William Mott (b. 1796), and Maria Mott (b. 1799). Mott's most famous work was *Biographical Sketches and Interesting Anecdotes of Persons of Color*, first published in 1826. She compiled the book with Mary Sutton Wood (1805-1894). Abigail Field Mott died August 8, 1851 in Burlington, N.J.

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## Scope and Content note

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This collection is comprised of the single volume commonplace book of Abigail Field Mott. It includes poetry and extracts, a history of the Calliopian Society, *Voyage to the Pacific Ocean by Stewart*, *Account of an Earthquake in Burmah in 1839*, the *Missionary School at Athens*, account of excursion to Mt. Vesuvius, and a description of Iceland.

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## Administrative Information

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### Publication Information

Haverford College Quaker & Special Collections September 2015

### Use Restrictions

Standard Federal Copyright Law Applies (U.S. Title 17).

### Acquisition

The Abigail Field Mott commonplace book was donated to Special Collections, Haverford College, in 1956 by Richard M. Gummere.

### Processing Information

Processed by Kara Flynn; completed September 2015.

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## **Related Materials**

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### **Related Materials**

- MC 1148 Gummere - Mott family papers
  - MC 961 Richard Mott papers
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## **Controlled Access Headings**

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### **Genre(s)**

- Commonplace books

### **Subject(s)**

- Poetry.
- Quaker women
- Quakers
- Quakers--History

## Collection Inventory

Commonplace book Undated