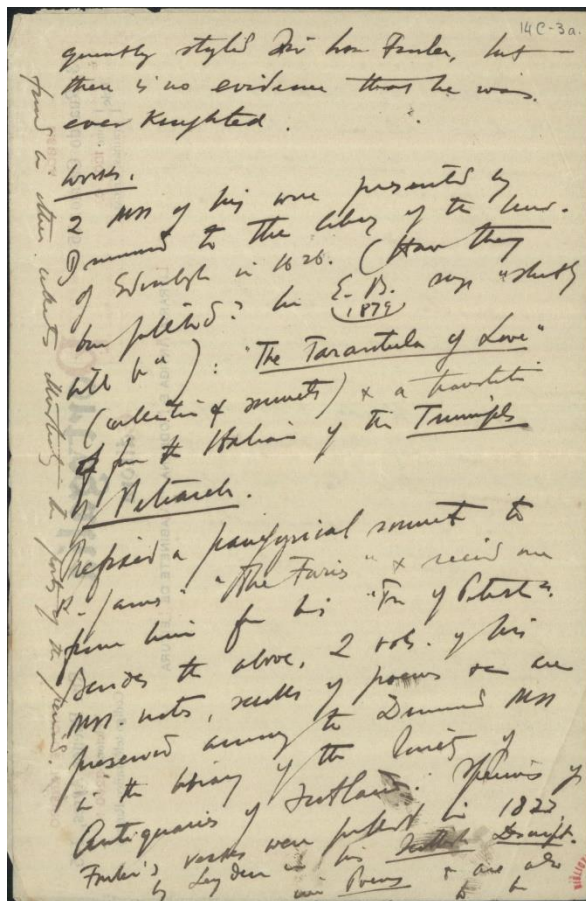


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2 Mss. of his were presented by Drummond to the library of the University of Edinburg in 1626. (Have they been published? In Encyclopedia Britannica 1879 says "shortly will be"): "The Tarantula of Love" (collection of sonnets) and a translation of from Italian of the *Triumphs of Petrarch*.

Prefixed a panegyrical sonnet to King James' "The Furies" and received one from him for his "Triumphs of Petrarch". Besides the above, 2 vols. of his Mss. notes, scrolls of poems etc are preserved among the Drummond Mss. in the library of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland. Specimens of Fowler's verses were published in 1823 by Leyden in his *Scottish Descriptive Poems* and are also to be found in other collections illustrating the poetry of the period.

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