

Letter from Frances Cornford to Eddie Marsh concerning a memorial to Rupert Brooke.
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92 East Hill

Colchester

Sunday

My Dear Eddie. Dudley said

you would have liked to have
seen me when I was in town
on Thursday. I wish I could
have managed it. Meanwhile
this is to ask if you would
like me to look through Rupert's
letters at once, when I go
back to Conduit Head tomorrow,
& send you any which seem as if ~~you would like to~~ they would do for publication
~~publish them~~ - or at least bits of them.

I feel as if I had lots which
are lovely + characteristic &
yet quite public. But
sometimes one exaggerates in
ones memory.

The other thing I have been
thinking about is the memorial
at Grantchester. I was puzzled
to know what I really did
think when you spoke about
it first on Sunday_ But
now I am sure that the

memorial ought to be either in
Kings Chapel or at Rugby
& not at Grantchester_ Because
he really was part of the
corporate life of those places.
He was a fellow of Kings &
it seems right his public
memorial should be there, -
where they will always be
proud of his memory. And

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the same applies to Rugby.

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But at Grantchester he was just
a stray individual. He had
nothing to do with the life
of the village or the people
who lived there. The rustics
+ the middleclass families
will look with surprise
at the memorial in the
church. The only suitable
place in Grantchester
seems to me the Old
Vicarage Garden – and
yet the more I think
the more deeply I agree
with you, that memorials

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should be in public places.

I've been talking it over
With Francis & find he
agrees with me, + thinks
it ought to be in Kings if ~~any~~ if anywhere
I imagine they wouldnt put
any sculpture by [Gill Mera]?
But wouldnt they put a
plain tablet?
I shall be passing thro' London
In a few weeks_ & perhaps
we could meet then. Or perhaps
you will be down in Cambridge
soon? which would be v. nice. I
think ~~I shall + will~~ Francis & I will be here the weekend of Sunday 20th

Yrs ever

Frances Cornford.'