

Basic Detail Report



Title Wedding Dress

Date 5 May 1830

Primary Maker Almira Barnes

Medium Hand-stitched silk and cotton, with metal hooks and eyes

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Description Woman's dress of ecru silk, which is sheer, with an opaque woven

pattern of leafy vines. The bodice is short-waisted (measuring five inches at the

sides under the armscye), and has a wide neckline edged with a double row of

satin-covered cording. The bodice front is decorated with a gathered width of

self-fabric extending from shoulder to shoulder, edged with the satin cording,

and meeting at center front in a faux knot. The sleeves are very full, being

pleated into the shoulder and into a satin cuff. The sleeves are seamed along the

top of the arm and under the arm; these seams have an insertion of satin piping.

The armscye is also piped. The dress closes at center back with hooks and eyes.

Both edges of the opening are lined with plain-woven white cotton; the bodice is

otherwise unlined. The left side of the opening is trimmed with two double rows

of piping. The bodice is fitted with two vertical darts in front, extending from the

waistline. The skirt is knife-pleated into the waistline, all around. It is decorated

with a double row of the satin cording 17 1/2 inches from the bottom edge.

Below the cording, the skirt is lined with sheer, plain-woven cotton.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (length x width across shoulders): 47 x 14in.

(119.4 x 35.6cm) Hem (circumference): 91in. (231.1cm)