

Basic Detail Report



Title Sunbonnet

Date about 1880-1890

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Machine-stitched cotton

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Description Woman's sunbonnet of white cotton printed with a black striped

pattern. The brim is interfaced and stitched in concentric lines for stiffness; it is

also heavily starched. The brim is edged with a self-fabric ruffle. The crown is

gathered to the brim and a double self-fabric ruffle is sewn over the seam. The

curtain is twelve inches long at the center back; it is gathered along the bottom

of the brim and crown; this seam is covered with a double ruffle. Self-fabric ties

would make a bow at the back of the neck. The neck curtain is edged with a

ruffle; the seam is covered with a bias strip of self-fabric. The back of the neck

has a drawstring on the inside to adjust the fit. The inside of the brim is lined

with self-fabric. Self-fabric ties mounted at the bottom edge on either side of the

brim would tie under the chin.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (length x width): 20 1/2 x 11 1/2in. (52.1 x 29.2

cm)