

Basic Detail Report



Title Infant's Dress

Date 1864

Primary Maker Melancy Williams

Medium Hand-stitched cotton

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Description Infant's dress of white cotton, with a short-waisted bodice

decorated with a V-shaped design of whitework embroidery. The centers of the larger eyelets in the embroidery are worked with needle lace. The embroidery is edged with flat strips of scalloped and embroidered self-fabric. The neckline is wide and is controlled by a drawstring. The short sleeves consist of two layers of scalloped and embroidered self-fabric ruffles. The armscye is piped. The skirt is gathered into a narrow waistband. The lower front of the skirt is embroidered with a floral design matching that on the bodice. The center front of the skirt is trimmed in a V-shape with strips of scalloped and embroidered self-fabric. The bottom edge of the skirt is similarly scalloped and embroidered. The center back of the dress is open for ten inches and closes with drawstrings at the waist and neckline.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (length x width across shoulders): 21 1/4 x 9in.

(54 x 22.9cm)