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Title Blouse

Date about 1862-1867

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Hand-stitched cotton, with thread-covered bone buttons, and ferrous metal hooks and eyes

Description Woman's blouse of sheer, white cotton, with a high, round neckline edged with 3/4-inch-wide scalloped whitework embroidery. This neckline edging is bordered with a 7/8-inch-wide band of floral whitework embroidery.

The center front opening of the blouse fastens with seven small, thread-covered buttons. The blouse fabric is gathered into the 1 1/2-inch-wide waistband of heavier white cotton fabric. The waistband fastens with two hooks and eyes. The shoulderline is dropped and the armhole is piped. The long, two-piece sleeves

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are curved at the elbow and trimmed around the wrist with the whitework

embroidery as the neckline is trimmed. The top of the sleeve has a 4 1/2-inch-

wide (measured at the shoulder), gathered puff stitched over the main sleeve.

The seam of the puff is covered with a ruffled strip of self-fabric.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (center back length x width between

shoulders): 16 1/8 x 16in. (41 x 40.6cm)