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Title Sampler

Date 1818

Primary Maker Caroline Julia Johnson

Medium Embroidery; silk thread on a plain-woven, undyed linen ground; glass, wood, black and gold paint

Description Sampler worked in light browns, gray-brown, dark brown and medium brown silk threads on a plain-woven linen ground in cross stitches. The sampler is squarish, oriented horizontally. It is laid out with seven rows of three alphabets and the numbers 1 through 9 followed by a zero, over an inscription at the bottom. The inscription is "Caroline Julia Johnson's/ Samplar [sic] Wrought Sept 16/ Anno Domini 1818 in the 10th/ year of her age. E. Windsor". There is a crown after the second alphabet. Certain lines of alphabets are separated by various straight, narrow borders. The sampler has a four-sided narrow border. The sampler has a selvedge on the bottom and 1/8 inch double-turned hems on the top and sides Letters and Numbers: There are three alphabets. The letters are uppercase script in alphabet 1, uppercase block in alphabet 2, and lowercase block in alphabet 3. The letter J is missing from the first two alphabets; the letter U is present in all alphabets. The third alphabet ends at 'y'. The number "1" is made to look like the letter J. Stitches: The sampler is worked entirely in cross stitch over two threads. There is some stitch loss to letters AB in the first alphabet and the numbers 1 and 2. The letters 'nop' in the third alphabet and the number 3 are missing. Condition: The sampler probably has

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moderate to severe fading. There is some stitch loss to letters AB in the first alphabet and the numbers 1 and 2. The letters 'nop' in the third alphabet and the number 3 are missing. There is a narrow mat. The sampler is in a modern frame.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x width of frame): 10 9/16 x 10 9/16in.

(26.8 x 26.8cm) Primary Dimensions (height x width inside frame): 9 9/16 x 9 9

/16in. (24.3 x 24.3cm) Primary Dimensions (height x width of ground): 8 11/16 x 8

15/16in. (22.1 x 22.7cm)