

Title Bedding Fragment

Date about 1770-1780

Primary Maker Punderson family

Medium Hand-stitched embroidery; crewel wool on plain-woven linen

Description A fragment, part of a set of bed hangings consisting of two

bedcurtains (.a, .b), a headcloth (.c), three valances (.d-.f), a pillowcase (.g) and a

fragment (.h). The bedhangings are hand-stitched with crewel, or two-ply

Basic Detail Report

worsted wool, on a plain-woven linen ground. The wool on these bedhangings is in many colors, including red, pink, dark medium and light blue, blue-green, light green, dark green, gold, yellow, tan, and cream. The fragment is rectangular, oriented vertically. The fragment has a pink flower at one side, out of which emerges a dark blue vine, leafy vines, a large flower in the center, and additional smaller blue flowers at the opposite corners. The fragment is constructed of a single panel of plain-woven linen. The fragment has a 3/16-inch single-turned hem on three of four sides. Stitches: The principal stitches on the fragment are outline, long and short and satin; it also includes encroaching satin, roumanian (oriental), darning and bullion Condition: Some of the wool has been abraded and has started to unravel. A hem at one side of the fragment has been unstitched. The linen ground has scattered light brown spots and stains.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x width): 11 3/4 x 9 1/2in. (29.8 x 24.1cm)