

Basic Detail Report



Title Girl's Dress

Date about 1836-1840

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Hand-stitched cotton, with brass hooks and eyes

Description Girl's dress of calico, printed in a madder red and brown geometric design on a tan background pattern. The dress is constructed with a yoke and a

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ruffled, turn-down collar. The front and back panels are gathered into the

bottom of the yoke and fall straight to the hem. The fullness of the sleeves is

controlled at the top of the arm by stitching down the narrow pleats with two

rows of chain stitching. A similar treatment is applied to the sleeve fullness at

the back of the wrist. The sleeve ends in a 1 1/4-inch-wide cuff which fastens

with two brass hooks and thread eyes. The collar edge, yoke edge, armscye,

underarm seam, and sleeve cuffs are piped. The dress opens at center front for 9

3/4 inches (though the seam has pulled apart beyond this point). Two 5/8-inch-

wide tucks are taken above the hem around the bottom of the skirt.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (length x width across shoulders): 34 1/4 x 12in.

(87 x 30.5cm)