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Title Girl's Shirt or Chemisette

Date about 1865-1875

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Machine-stitched cotton, with thread-covered bone (probably) buttons

Description Girl's "habit-shirt" or "chemisette," for wearing with a riding habit.

The shirt front and back are entirely covered with vertical tucks. The square-cornered, turn-down collar is 1 3/4 inches wide at the front. The shoulderline is slightly dropped, and the armscye is piped. The long sleeves are lightly gathered into the armscye and into the 3 5/8-inch-wide cuff. The cuff fastens near the sleeve seam with a button (now missing) and with studs, as indicated by opposing buttonholes along the outer edge. The shirt opening extends for the

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length of the center front and fastens with six small thread-covered buttons and a drawstring around the waist. The shirt is not lined. The side seams are vented up to the waistline drawstring casing, 1 1/2 inches from the bottom edge.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (center back length x width across shoulders):

15 3/4 x 15 1/2in. (40 x 39.4cm)