

# Basic Detail Report

## Title Man's Shirt

Date 1898-1900

Medium Machine-stitched cotton and linen

Description Man's shirt of white cotton. The shirt is constructed with a yoke across the shoulders and a thirteen-inch-long, U-shaped bib of white linen. The bib is stitched with a box pleat down the center, worked with two small, round holes for accepting decorative studs. The bib is interlined with coarser cotton; it is stitched to the shirt front  $\frac{3}{4}$  of an inch inside the edges so that it gives the appearance of being separate from the shirt. The shirt has a band collar, which is  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch wide at the center front, increasing to  $\frac{7}{8}$  inch wide at the back. A buttonhole is stitched in the collar at the center front for accepting a separate starched collar. The shirt opens for a length of  $13\frac{1}{2}$  inches down the center back; there are no fastening mechanisms except for buttonholes worked at the collar opening for fastening a stud. The long sleeves are stitched smoothly into the armhole and end in  $1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch-wide cuffs, which fasten with studs. The lower corners of the shirt front and back are curved up at the side seams to create a  $9\frac{1}{2}$ -inch-long vent; the top of each vent is set with a gusset. There is a narrow tape stitched vertically over the yoke on the proper left side of the opening.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (center back length x width between shoulders):  $34\frac{3}{4} \times 16\frac{1}{4}$ in. (88.3 x 41.3cm)