

Basic Detail Report

Title Man's Wedding Vest

Date 1858

Primary Maker Governor Owen Vincent Coffin

Medium Hand-stitched silk, cotton, and leather with cotton (probably) wadding, non-ferrous metal buckle, and silk-covered bone (probably) button

Description Man's vest of golden-tan silk faille, with a shawl collar. The center front opening fastens with four self-covered buttons. There is a breast pocket on the proper left side and a 4 1/2-inch-wide pocket on each side of the lower front. The vest front is fitted with a two-inch gusset near each side seam. The backing fabric is plain-woven cream-colored silk. The fit of the vest is adjusted with a self-fabric buckled strap across the lower back. The upper vest fronts are padded. The lower edges of the front panels are lined with white leather. The rest of the vest is lined with plain-woven, white cotton. The center back seam is notched at the lower edge.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (length x width across chest): 21 1/2 x 18 1/2in.
(54.6 x 47cm)