

Basic Detail Report

Title Chemise

Date about 1870-1880

Primary Maker Avery family

Medium Machine-stitched cotton and eyelet embroidery

Description Woman's white cotton chemise. It is virtually sleeveless, with only an underarm gusset and eyelet trim around the armhole edges. The wide and shallow neckline is also trimmed with a band and a narrow ruffle of eyelet embroidery. The upper center front of the chemise has a rectangular inset of vertical pintucks bordered by the eyelet band. A central opening in this inset is covered with an eyelet-trimmed placket. The front and back panels of the chemise are gathered into the neckline band. The armholes have a 1 1/2-inch-wide lining for reinforcement. The width of the petticoat is not pieced. The hem is 1 1/2-inches deep.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (length x width at top): 37 1/4 x 24 1/2in. (94.6 x 62.2cm) Other (width at bottom): 34 1/2in. (87.6cm)