

Basic Detail Report

Title Woman's Cape

Date about 1900

Primary Maker Clara Wilhelmina Florentina Hahn

Medium Machine-stitched wool, cotton, wool-covered ferrous metal buttons, and metal hooks and eyes

Description Woman's black wool broadcloth shoulder cape. The cape has a high turn-down collar that is three inches wide and is appliquéd with self-fabric flowers at the corners. The cape closes with two hooks and eyes at the neck. A buttoned flap covers the hooks and eyes at the neck; another buttoned flap is used as a closure about three inches below the neck. The cape is ornamented with vertical strap-like stitched designs that end in points and are appliquéd with three self-fabric disks in graduated sizes. Below each of the five strap ornaments is an appliquéd self-fabric scrolled quatrefoil design. The edges of the cape are left raw, as the wool is so heavily fulled. They are finished only with a triple row of top stitching. The cape is lined with black cotton sateen.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (center front length): 29 1/2in. (74.9cm) Other (circumference at bottom): 95in. (241.3cm)