

Basic Detail Report

Title Boy's Dress

Date about 1840-1860

Primary Maker Jay Humphrey Filley

Medium Hand-stitched wool and cotton, with silk velvet ribbon and a brass hook

Description Young boy's dress of purple wool printed with a clover-like design in

black. The dress has a wide neck, bound with black velvet ribbon. The short

sleeves are set into the bodice, raglan-style. They are gathered into the neck

edge, and the opening edge is decorated with two rows of black velvet ribbon.

The bodice is gathered into the neckline and into the 1 1/4-inch-wide waistband,

which is piped along the lower edge. The skirt is flat at center front and pleated

over the front of each hip. It is flat around the sides and then pleated again over

the back of each hip. The bottom of the skirt is decorated with three rows of

black velvet ribbon. The center back opening extends about twelve inches; it

fastens with a hook and eye closure at the neck (the eye is missing). The

waistband and sides of the bodice are lined with plain white cotton.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (length x width across top): 19 3/4 x 12 1/4in.

(50.2 x 31.1cm)