

Basic Detail Report

Title John Allen and Three Daughters

Date before 1861

Primary Maker Samuel Root

Medium Photography; daguerreotype on silver-coated copper plate under glass

with brass mat in paper-covered wooden case with embossed red velvet pad

Description Portrait of a man with three young girls. He is holding the youngest

child in his lap. She wears a plaid dress. The other two girls wear similar fitted

jackets over plaid dresses. The girl at the right is standing. The girl at the left is

seated beside the man. The mat is rectangular with rounded corners and border

of six-pointed stars within hexagons. The dark red velvet pad has an urn in the

center, surrounded by an irregular oval incorporating geometric designs.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (image height x width): 3 1/4 x 4 1/2in. (8.3 x

11.4cm) Sheet (height x width): 4 x 5 1/4in. (10.2 x 13.3cm) Other (case height x

width): 4 3/4 x 6 x 3/4in. (12.1 x 15.2 x 1.9cm)