

Basic Detail Report



Title Dress

Date about 1909

Primary Maker Lewis Fox family

Medium Silk, cotton, glass beads, metal hooks and eyes, unidentified boning, rhinestones

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Description Woman's evening dress of cream colored netting with appliquéd

tape lace flowers over a pale gold-colored silk lining. The dress has a wide,

round neckline which is edged with plain netting that has been gathered on

three rows of cording. A bertha of mixed Brussels lace encircles the neckline. The

short sleeves consist of three layers of bobbin-lace-edged netting under the lace

bertha. The bodice front has an inset rounded panel of gathered netting under

the bertha. The bodice is smoothly fitted, flaring out into the skirt below the

waist. The bottom of the skirt which is trained has a flounce of the netting

appliquéd with swags and flowers of tape lace. This flounce is laid over a finely

pleated linen of pale yellow, sheer silk. The gold silk dress lining is a separate

construction in the skirt. Black velvet ribbons terminating in gold bead tassels

fall over the shoulders in front. The ribbons meet at the waistline in the back

under a rhinestone ornament, then two wider black ribbon tails fall down the

center back below the waist; the ends are trimmed with black knotted fringe.

The gold silk lining fabric is gathered around the inside bust area of the dress to

provide fullness. The bodice seams are all boned. The center back opening

fastens with metal hooks and eyes. A woven tape label is stitched inside the

waist area at front: "J. Ljungholm / HARTFORD, CONN."

Dimensions Dress (length): 67in. (170.2cm)