

**Condition Report-**

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Accession #s: 54.54.01a and 54.54.01b

**Collection:** URI HTCC

**Description:** 1880's Brown and tan two piece dress ensemble with brocade bib and tassels.

**Condition Details:** Overall Fair

*-Front Exterior Skirt:* Overall good condition. The tacking stitches that hold the bib to the skirt are fragile/loose. The tassel on the front proper right side of the skirt is fraying a bit. Ruffles slightly flattened from storage,

*-Back Exterior Skirt:* Overall Fair condition. Ruffles and pleats on rear are in good condition. On the proper left middle skirt panel, there are some oil-like stain measuring about 1-3" in length and 0.5-1" in width. Ruffle pleating by the hem is coming off and require reinforcement, portions that are no longer secured can be seen in Figures 123344322. In between the proper right panel and the proper right middle panel there is a small gusset with a hole measuring about 1/8"

*-Front Interior Skirt:* Slight insect damage on the bottom panel of the lining (See figure \_\_)

*-Back Interior Skirt:* Some significant insect damage on the bottom panel of the lining starting from the proper right side and crescendoing over to the proper left hemline (see Figures 1 and 2). Rip/ damage on middle-proper left hemline about the size of an inch (see Figure 3)

*-Waistband:* Overall poor condition- intense shattering under

*-Front Exterior Bodice:* Overall excellent condition, only visible damage is small sweat stains in the armpit areas and some wear/discoloration around the collar.

*-Back Exterior Bodice:* Some wrinkling from storage and some discoloration by the collar.

*-Front Interior Bodice:* Overall good condition, no notable damage.

*-Back Interior Bodice:* Some insect damage on lower proper left panel and upper proper left panel.

**Flat Measurements:**

*Bodice*

Bust

Waist

Shoulder to wrist

*Skirt*

Waist  
CF to hem  
CB to hem

**Suspected materials:**

- Interior Lining: Panels of cotton or linen
- Exterior: Silk

**Photos:**

***Figure 1: Front Exterior of 54.54.01b skirt***

Notable condition issues pictured include:

- Insect damage on interior of rear panel
- Slight flattening of ruffles from storage
- Some fraying at hemline
- Fraying at waistband
- Fraying of decorative tassel
- Fragile tassel attachment



***Figure 2: Close up of front exterior of 54.54.01b skirt***

Notable condition issues pictured include:

- Fraying of Tassel
- Fragile attachment of tassel



***Figure 3: Close up of Rear interior panel of 54.54.01b skirt***  
Notable condition issues pictured include:

- Notable insect damage
- Fraying at hemline



***Figure 4: Close up of Rear interior hemline of 54.54.01b skirt***

Notable condition issues pictured include:

- Notable rip/fray about 1"
- Insect damage



***Figure 5: Front exterior of 54.54.01a bodice***

Notable condition issues pictured include:

- Slight perspiration staining under the armpits
- Slight discoloring by the collar



**Figure 6: Back exterior of 54.54.01a bodice**

Notable condition issues pictured include:

- Slight discoloration at collar





***Figure 7: Back interior and proper left front interior of 54.54.01a bodice***

Notable condition issues pictured include:

- Insect damage on lower proper right back panel
- Insect damage on upper proper right back panel