SOFT CORSET WITH CONTRASTING BLUE THREAD PATTERN (1820 - 1830)
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Object description:

Corset, entirely hand stitched, made of white fine linen, lined with jean. Neatly corded midsection, on the diagonal, worked in medium blue thread, lighter in some places. Double gores for fairly large bust, hip gores. Busk channel with opening inside; similar ones for bones at the opening edges. Bone eyelets. Straps attach at front with tapes, probably not original. Blue cross-stitched initials, CCW, and “2” on top of the busk channel. The waist between eyelets is 17” - seemingly an impossible size, and it leaves a good 8” agape in the back on the smallest mannequins. The shoulders are wide by comparison.

Year range: 1820 - 1830

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