

SA1031034

19th-Century English School, Portrait Of A Gentleman - Antique Oil Painting

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1031034****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 78 cm (30.7")

Width = 66 cm (26.0")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

Description

This characterful mid-19th-century English oil painting depicts a smartly attired gentleman wearing a black tailcoat, white shirt with an upstanding collar, black waistcoat and black stock. His hair is styled in a deliberately nonchalant fashion to convey the spirit of a country gent with outdoor pursuits. The portrait was acquired from Old Came Rectory in Dorset - the home of the Reverend William England. It was known as a popular haunt for various writers and poets, including Thomas Hardy, Alfred Tennyson, and Siegfried Sassoon. The identity of the sitter is unknown but he bears a little resemblance to Prince Louis Lucien Bonaparte (1813-1891), the French philologist. Louis Lucien was Emperor Napoleon's nephew and is known to have visited the rectory. Held within a gilt frame. The portrait is accompanied by Sedley Proctor's book on Old Came Rectory. Medium: Oil on canvas Overall size: 26" x 30½" / 66cm x 78cm Year of creation: c. 1840 Provenance: Old Came Rectory, Dorset. Condition: Artwork presents well. Fine craquelure but the paint is stable. Canvas relined. Later stretcher. Frame with some light wear.

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