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**BATTLE OF WATERLOO - A
NAIVE AND UNUSUAL
PORTRAIT, INK AND
WATERCOLOUR, OF A THREE
MONTH OLD ROBERT
SPEARMAN SWINBURNE
AGED 3 YEARS
GBP 550**

Price

| USD \$745 | EUR 644

Item Reference: SA1161600**Date of manufacture: Regency**

Dimensions

Height = 22 cm (8.7")

Width = 15 cm (5.9")

Description

naive and unusual portrait, ink and watercolour, of a three month old Robert Spearman Swinburne aged 3 months and two days. Robert was the son of Lt Gen Thomas Robert Swinburne who fought alongside Wellington at the Battle of Waterloo. Lt General Thomas Robert Swinburne was described as a gifted amateur artist and we categorically believe Swinburne to be the artist in this case. This was found along with two a small collection of other sketches and paintings by him. The other two works that were originally with this piece included a sketch in Algiers inscribed in the same handwriting as this. Another of Spearman's works was Jean, a Pack Pony at Waterloo which sold at auction in 2012. Thomas Robert Swinburne was born in March 1794 and raised at Pontop Hall, a 17th century manor house in County Durham. He was the eldest son of Thomas Swinburne (d.1825) and his wife, Charlotte Spearman. In June 1813 he became an Ensign in the 1st Regiment of Foot Guards. He was at the Battle of Waterloo at Quatre Bras and survived uninjured. He was also at the Siege of Peronne. In December 1816 he was promoted to Captain and transferred to the 3rd Dragoon Guards. He became Lt C...

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