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SOLD....Portrait of Grace, Lady Hunsdon c. 1717, by Michael Dahl.

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Date of manufacture:

Description

Oil on canvas in good carved and giltwood period frame. Grace Waldo was born c.1683, she was the daughter of Sir Edward Waldo and Elizabeth Shuckborough. She married, firstly, Sir Nicholas Wolstenholme of Enfield, Middlesex before 1717. She married, secondly, William Ferdinand Carey, 8th Baron Hunsdon of Hunsdon, son of William Carey and Gerrude van Outshoorn, on the 11th of January 1717/18 at St. James's, Westminster, London. Her portrait was probably painted at this time. As a girl Grace had lived at Pinner Hill in Middlesex and in 1728, at her own expense, she had the Hunsdon Bridge over the River Pinn rebuilt. A tablet on the bridge is inscribed "This Bridge was rebuilt from the Foundations att the Voluntary and sole cost of the R Honble Grace, Lady Hunsden in the Month of Sept. Ano Dni 1728".(sic) She died on the 9th of May 1729 and was buried at All Saints, Hutton Rudby, Yorkshire, an estate owned by the Careys. There were no children; Lord Hunsdon died on 12th June 1765, aged 81. The Careys had royal blood in their veins; Henry Carey, 1st Baron Hunsden, Knight of the Garter, was the illegitimate son of King Henry VIII by his mistress Lady Mary Carey. The Baron...

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