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Carl Adolf Mende (Attributed), Portrait Of Jean Gerard Vonderbank & Family - Antique Oil Painting

Price

GBP 9,500

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Item Reference: SA1192264**Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 120 cm (47.2")

Width = 136 cm (53.5")

Depth = 8 cm (3.1")

Description

This finely observed early 19th-century oil painting, attributed to German artist Carl Adolf Mende (1807-1857), depicts Jean Gerard Vonderbank, a German surveyor, instrument designer, and mathematical author, shown with his wife and daughter. The composition is anchored by the inclusion of Vonderbank's published work, 'The Equilateral Triangle as a Curve Drawer Geodolite', issued in Aachen in 1824. The scene unfolds with quiet dignity. Vonderbank stands to one side, composed and assured, gesturing gently toward the open book that rests between the family members. The women are presented with tenderness rather than hierarchy, one seated, one standing - their expressions calm and reflective. The atmosphere is one of domestic stillness, softened by the surrounding landscape and the filtered light that binds the figures together. The triangular structure of the composition is especially resonant. It subtly mirrors the subject of Vonderbank's own publication, reinforcing the intellectual symbolism at the heart of the painting. His profession, rooted in precision, measurement, and geometry, is translated visually into balance and harmony. Jean Gerard Vonderbank was active i...

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