

SA1225268

Pair of mid-19th Century American School Folk Art Portraits

Price

GBP 1,350

| USD \$1,823 | EUR 1,579

Item Reference: SA1225268

Date of manufacture: 19th Century

Dimensions

Height = 30.5 cm (12.0")

Width = 26 cm (10.2")

Description

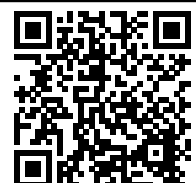
A charming and characterful pair of mid-19th-century American School folk art portraits, depicting a lady and gentleman, almost certainly husband and wife. Circa 1840s. These are finely executed in watercolour and bodycolour on paper. These exude period charm, the portraits showcase wonderful attention to detail in costume and setting: The Lady: Seated before a draped blue curtain on a red upholstered fainting couch, dressed in a dark gown with a lace collar and a lace-trimmed bonnet with pink ribbons, holding a handkerchief in her lap. The Gentleman: Seated on a wooden chair, sharply attired in a black coat, light waistcoat, white collared shirt, and a vibrant cobalt blue cravat, complete with a gold pocket watch chain. The back of the gentleman's wooden backing board retains an intriguing contemporary pencil inscription reading: 'Col. Carter / Republican Army'. This identifies the gentleman as Colonel Carter, adding a fascinating layer of American provenance and narrative appeal to the pair. Condition: Very good original condition, small amount of faint foxing. Both works are presented in matching ebonised frames featuring gilt slip inner borders and brass hanging r...

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