

**SA12473****SOLD...Oliver Cromwell; after Lely**

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## Description

Oil on canvas in reproduction period frame. A good late 18th/early 19th c. portrait of OLIVER CROMWELL (1599-1658) after the famous painting of 1653 by Sir Peter Lely. Painted in the year Cromwell took complete power as Lord Protector of England (king in all but name). His instruction to Lely was 'paint my picture truly like me, and not flatter me at all; but remark all the roughness, pimples, warts and all'. SIR PETER LELY had succeeded Van Dyck as England's leading portraitist in the second half of the 17th century. Dutch born, he survived the perilous tides of political change that swept the country. He worked for Charles I and, after the King's execution, for Cromwell, before Charles II appointed him Principal Painter to the Court in 1660. SIZE: 32 x 27 inches inc. frame. PROVENANCE: an English Collection

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