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**SOLD...Portrait of Anne,
daughter of Lord Elphinstone,
(later Lady Torphichen); Circle
of Henry Tilson**

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Item Reference: SA15857

Date of manufacture:

Description

17th century oil on canvas in Victorian gilt frame. The sitter depicted in a feigned oval. The portrait bears a 19th c. inscription wrongly identifying the sitter as Anna, daughter of John, 11th Lord Elphinstone; on stylistic grounds (clothes, style of painting etc) this is clearly incorrect. It seems likely that the sitter is Anne, daughter of Alexander, 6th Lord Elphinstone. Anne married Walter Sandilands, 6th Lord Torphichen on 11 April 1671. The Elphinstones are an ancient noble Scottish family and have featured prominently in Scottish history since the 13th century. The present chief of the Clan is the 19th Lord. Henry Tilson (1659-1695) was born in Lancashire or Yorkshire and came from the gentry; his grandfather was Bishop of Elphin. He was a pupil of Lely until 1680, then worked with Kneller, becoming friends with Dahl. Tilson and Dahl travelled to Paris, Venice and Rome in 1684-8 studying the Old Masters. On his return to London he established a very successful practice with a style strongly influenced by Kneller. In 1695 at the age of 36, when a love affair came to an end, he committed suicide. Size: 29 x 24 inches canvas size 37.5 x 32.5 inches inc. ...
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