

SA160629

SOLD....Portrait of Captain Stewart 1814; by Thomas Phillips R.A.

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Item Reference: SA160629

Date of manufacture: 1800

Description

Oil on canvas in ornate frame. The subject of this Late Georgian/Regency portrait is thought to be Daniel Stewart (Stuart), brother of Elizabeth Stewart, Mrs. Westmacott (portrait also on this website). But there were four brothers in the army...Daniel, John, Charles and Thomas ...a lieutenant, a captain and two majors; however this portrait has descended directly through the family and is known as Daniel. The handwritten label verso says the sitter was a captain in the 24th Dragoons, but the dragoons wore blue uniforms and this officer wears a red tunic with the yellow facings of a Scottish regiment. Of course, the officer may have changed regiments at some time but clearly more research is needed to identify the sitter beyond doubt. In August 1822 two of the Stewart brothers died in India, both in the Honourable East India Company, Bombay; Major John Stewart died of a liver complaint aged 43, and Captain John Guise Stewart died of a wound in the head aged 38,"both brothers of Mrs. H. Westmacott of Cadogan-place". Reported in 'The Gentleman's Magazine' Volume 92, "Obituary of Remarkable Persons," and "Blackwood's Magazine" Volume 11. The parents of the sitter were Thomas...

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