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Lady Mary Keith, Countess of Wigton 1710; Circle of Sir John Baptist Medina.

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Item Reference: SA242672

Date of manufacture: 1700

Description

Oil on canvas in an 18th century black and gilt frame. Inscription upper left "LADY MARY KEITH, WIFE OF THE EARL OF WIGTON. Ob. 1721." The frame has old woodworm damage but it is not active. LADY MARY KEITH was born circa May 1695. She was the daughter of William Keith, 8th Earl Marischal and Lady Mary Drummond. She married John Fleming, 6th Earl of Wigton, son of William Fleming, 5th Earl of Wigton and Lady Henrietta Seton, on 8 February 1710 when she was fourteen. She was his second wife. A copperplate inscription verso says that this portrait was painted at that time. She died in 1721 aged 26. Their daughter, Lady Clementina Fleming, born in 1719 lived to be 80, dying in 1799. Image 8 shows her later in her life, and image 9 shows her husband; both painted by Kneller. SIR JOHN BAPTIST MEDINA or John Baptiste de Medina (1659 - 1710) was an artist of Flemish-Spanish origin who worked in England and Scotland, mostly as a portrait painter, though he was also the first illustrator of 'Paradise Lost' by John Milton in 1688. Medina was the son of a Spanish army captain posted to Brussels, where he was born and later trained by François Duchatel, before coming to London ...

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