

SA505464

A Large Pair of Oil Portrait of Ironmaster William Grazebrook and his wife Mary-Ann

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA505464****Date of manufacture: Victorian**

Dimensions

Height = 83 cm (32.7")

Width = 70 cm (27.6")

Depth = 4 cm (1.6")

Description

A pair of mid 19th Century oil Portraits of William Grazebrook (born 1792) and his wife Mary Ann Grazebrook (born 1799), oil on canvas, within modern giltwood frames. William Grazebrook was an ironmaster of Netherton Ironworks, Dudley, Worcs., from a long line of Black Country industrialists. The company was founded in Stourbridge in 1641 by Michael Grazebrook. By 1730 the company controlled a glass-works at Stourbridge, a mill and forge at Halesowen and a colliery at Coseley. The third Michael Grazebrook (1723-1766) started iron production. His son Michael (1758-1826) moved to Netherton in 1800 and the firm was re-named M & W Grazebrook after his two sons, Michael and William. In 1848 a new brick blast furnace was built and the forge sold. In 1860 the Glassworks was disposed of and the Netherton ironworks connected to the railway. John Grazebrook went to study in Paris in 1848 and invented many machine and hand tools. Francis Grazebrook (1856-1945) took over the firm and streamlined and modernised it. In 1914 a new Company M. & W. Grazebrook Limited was formed. Cold blast pig iron and heavy fabrications were the company's main production, but during the Second World War ...

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