

SA729870**Edmund Wimperis - Oil on Canvas - Sussex Downs c1885**

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Description

Edmund Morison Wimperis - On the Sussex Downs - Signed - Oil on Canvas 70.25 cm x 50.75 cm Edmund Morison Wimperis (1835-1900) was born in Chester. A landscape painter and watercolourist, he began his career studying wood-engraving, initially under Mason Jackson and subsequently with Myles Birket Foster. During these years he also worked as illustrator for numerous magazines, most notably the Illustrated London News. Wimperis was fond of windswept landscape scenes, a common subject of his paintings. Hardie said of him that "...he painted expansive landscapes with breadth and decision; he dealt tenderly with the form and movement of spacious skies and boldly with fleeting shadows cast over broken ground". Wimperis went abroad only once to St Malo, Brittany. He painted prominently in the Thames Valley, the South Downs, Devon, Wales, East Anglia, and St Ives. He became a member of Royal Institute of Painters in Watercolours in 1875 and was voted Vice President in 1895. Besides the British Museum and the Victoria and Albert Museum, examples of his work are held by art galleries in Birkenhead, Bradford, Chester, Manchester, Newport, and Portsmouth.

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