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Edward Bird , R.A., 1772 - 1819
 Portrait of Henry Ricketts circa
 1783–1859 , Bristol Glass
 Maker as a Young Child

Price

GBP 2,200

| USD \$2,977 | EUR 2,574

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Date of manufacture: 18th Century

Dimensions

Height = 15 cm (5.9")

Width = 11.5 cm (4.5")

Depth = 1 cm (0.4")

Description

Edward Bird , R.A., 1772 - 1819 Portrait of Henry Ricketts circa 1783–1859 , Bristol Glass Maker as a Young Child
 Signed/Inscribed: inscribed on the reverse " Henry Ricketts " oil on panel 15 x 11.50 cm. Henry Ricketts was a Bristol glass-maker who devised an innovative bottle-mould in 1821. His three-part mould enabled bottles to be blown to exactly the same size and capacity every time. It revolutionised production and energised the local industry. Ricketts set up his own bottle-making company which continued until 1923. The Ricketts family was involved in the glass business for almost a century, beginning in 1789, when Jacob Ricketts and his brother, Richard, operated the Phoenix Glass Works at Temple Gate, Bristol, England. After a few changes, the firm became Henry Ricketts & Co., probably to celebrate the invention of a mechanical mold system that used three-piece mold and had a "washer" baseplate allowing embossing on the bases – by Jacob's son, Henry, although son, Richard (not to be confused with his uncle, Richard, Jacob's brother), took over the business, soon partnering with William Powell, who continued to run the operation after Richard's death in 1856 ...

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