

SA938618

Henry Towneley Green, An Interesting Read - Antique Watercolour

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA938618****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 43 cm (16.9")

Width = 36 cm (14.2")

Depth = 4 cm (1.6")

Description

This late 19th-century watercolour by English artist Henry Towneley Green (1836-1899) depicts two smartly attired gentlemen immersed in a fascinating book within a study interior. The outfits date to circa 1780 and the shoes are a feast for the eyes. Henry Towneley Green was known predominantly for his illustrations in various magazines including 'Once a Week' and the 'Cornhill Magazine'. He remains underrated as a draughtsman but clearly possessed extraordinary ability. While researching this piece, we discovered several letters by Vincent Van Gogh (1853-1890) extolling his virtues. In 1882 in a letter to friend and fellow artist Anthon Gerard Alexander van Rappard (1858-1892) he wrote: "I've found another two woodcuts for you, one by Miss Edwards and one by Green. The latter is particularly fine: a painter working on a shop sign while people watch, in the age of Louis xvi." He's probably referring to a wood engraving produced for a magazine or newspaper. In 1883, again to Rappard, he wrote: "I can tell you that I've found an uncommonly beautiful print by T. Green, the brother or something of C.G. It's a party at the Foundling Hospital in London, a sort of orphan gi..."

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