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**Portrait of Mrs. E. Browne
C.1740, By Henry Pickering.**

Price

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Item Reference: SA947443

Date of manufacture: 18th Century

Dimensions

Height = 94 cm (37.0")

Width = 81 cm (31.9")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

Description

Oil on canvas in the original carved and giltwood frame. Inscribed upper left, 'Mrs. E. Browne. The attractive sitter wears a fine silk dress with a blue wrap. This portrait was part of the Howes Hicks Collection of family portraits, but despite the name inscribed on the painting, the sitter cannot be identified with any certainty. An Elizabeth Browne was the wife of the Rev Browne, mother of Martha Browne who married Sir Howe Hicks; she was much older than this sitter. There is a strong resemblance to Martha, Lady Hicks but there is no record of an Elizabeth Browne other than the aforementioned. The resemblance is so strong that the sitter must be a member of the family. HENRY PICKERING (1720-circa 1775) was a fashionable and gifted portrait artist working in the style of the great Thomas Hudson. Hudson and Pickering were both known to use the famous drapery painter Joseph van Aken. He travelled to Italy to learn from the old masters and seems to have returned to England, and London, by 1740. By the 1750s he seems to have worked as an itinerant portrait painter travelling around the country, eventually settling in Manchester in 1759. SIZE: 37 x 32 inches including the ...

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