

Study from Nature at Bullingdon Green near Oxford

William Turner Of Oxford

Sold



Description

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Signed verso: Study from nature, Bullingdon near Oxford/W.T.
Watercolour over pencil heightened with bodycolour
23.5 by 45 cm., 9 ¼ by 17 ¾ in.

Provenance:
With Agnew's, 1996;
Private Collection

Literature:
Thos. Agnew, English Watercolours and Drawings - 123rd Annual Exhibition, 1996, no.77, ill.

Exhibited;
London, Thos. Agnew, English Watercolours and Drawings - 123rd Annual Exhibition, 4th to 29th March 1996, no.77

Bullingdon Green was a large area of pasture of around a hundred acres stretching from Headington to Horspath and Cowley and now subsumed as part of Oxford. In the eighteenth century it was a popular area of horse-riding and cricket. The notorious Oxford Bullingdon Club started out, in 1780, as a cricket club on Bullingdon Green. G.V. Cox records in 1805: 'The game of cricket was kept up chiefly by the young men from Winchester and Eton, and was confined to the Old Bullingdon Club, which was expensive and exclusive' (Reminiscences of Oxford). The first recorded cricket match on the Bullingdon Green cricket match took place in 1843 between the University of Oxford and the MCC. Cricket fixtures continued there until 1879.

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