

Fine Art / Wednesday, 17th May 2023 / Lot 51



### LOT 51

John Vine of Colchester - A Hereford Heifer bred by Mr. Lewis of Breinton near Hereford and Exhibited by Mr. Samuel Druce of Eynsham, Oxon, at the Smithfield Club Cattle Show, 1852, 19th century oil on canvas, signed recto, label verso, 49.5cm x 60cm, within a maple frame. Provenance: the collection of a notable, late Hampshire-based breeder of Hereford cattle; Sotheby's, Chester, 20th October 1988, lot no. 3069.

Estimate: £2,000 - £4,000

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### Condition Report

51. Relined, cleaned and restored to a fairly bright finish. Some craquelure but paint appears stable. Previous cleans have left the paint a little thin in areas of the background. UV examination highlights touches of overpainting throughout, mostly emboldening details, particularly branches and foliage presumably lost in cleans. Gilt inner slip has minor damage and marks. Maple frame generally in good condition but with minor splits to veneer and light scuffs to extremities.

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