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LOT 6

After Joshua Reynolds - 'Simplicity' (Half Length Portrait of Joshua Reynolds' Niece, Theophila Gwatkin), 19th century oil on canvas, 76cm x 63cm, within a gilt composition frame. Note: when Reynold's original picture was exhibited at the British Institution in 1823, several full-size copies were made by the artists Shepperson, Smart, Pyne, Markes, Fowler, Cunliffe, Drummond senior, Solomon and Sargeant. References: Algernon Graves and William Vine Cronin, 'A history of the works of Sir Joshua Reynolds, P.R.A.' (Henry Graves & Co, London 1899) vol.I, pp.407-408.

Estimate: £500 - £800

Condition Report

6. Relined, cleaned and restored. Some craquelure. UV examination highlights areas of overpainting throughout. Paint a little thin in other areas from previous cleans. Some surface dirt throughout. Craquelure has caused some paint flaking and loss in small areas.

Gilt composition frame has been repainted 'gilt' in places. Corner crestings are damaged with loss and there is some other minor damage and loss to composition and gilt.

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