



Little Girl of the Woodfield Family

Primary Maker

Micah Williams

Medium

Pastel on paper

Description

Depiction of a young female, perhaps two to four years of age, facing left and seated in a reddish-brown painted fancy armchair. The child has dark brown eyes set in a pale face, with dark brown hair worn parted in the center and tucked behind her ears. She wears an elaborate white gown, probably fine mull or cotton batiste. It has a wide, deep neck edged with ruffle, a high waist, and waistband of what appears to be broderie anglaise. The bodice front has two diagonal inset bands embroidered with cross-in-

circle motifs flanking a large central foliate motif with five leaves. The child holds a large pink rose with green leaves in her left hand. The chair appears to have a cushion with a pink ruffle. The background is a cool gray with reddish overtone. The paper is mounted on white pine stretchers lined with an unidentified New York City-area newspaper that contains a meeting announcement dated 11 March 1830.

Dimensions

23.8 × 19.1 in. (60.5 × 48.5 cm)