



Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec (?)

La Calèche (The Carriage), 1879/1880 ?

Oil on cardboard, 23,6 x 27,8 cm

on verso, upper right, inscribed in blue: "5789[?]" [obliterated]; upper centre, oval stamp in black: "...ROIX DE MALTE/...ÉDARD FILS / ...LEURS FINES/ ...S A TABLEAUX/ ...PARIS, ...UB^G POISSONNIÈRE, 69" [fragment]; upper right, inscribed in ink: "90..." [illegible]

on blue paper backing, at centre, in blue ink: "Lautrec 1815", "Collection Renand", "reprod[ui]t Hyperion / page 38"

Provenance:

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By 1939: Georges Renand, Paris (per inscription and Lassaigne)

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By latest 2012: Cornelius Gurlitt, Munich/Salzburg

From 6 May 2014: Estate of Cornelius Gurlitt

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Note:

Per Jacques Lassaigne's 1939 monograph, the provenance of this work is given as Georges Renand collection; its reproduction is credited to "R. Gérard". This may suggest that the work was traded through Galerie Raphaël Gérard.

In the 1969 catalogue raisonné by Giorgio Caproni and G. M. Sugana, this painting is listed as a published work, authorship of which could not be confirmed. Madelaine Grillaert Dortu, the author of the standard catalogue raisonné of Toulouse-Lautrec's works, does not include this oil.

Georges Renand (1879–1968) was the director of the Parisian department store *La Samaritaine* and the president of the Fondation Cognacq-Jay. According to the records of the Roberts Commission, the Renand collection of nineteenth- and twentieth-century paintings remained in Paris throughout the war. During the occupation of Paris, Renand sold works to German buyers. A series of posthumous sales were held in 1987 and 1988.

An entry in Hildebrand Gurlitt's address book suggests that he was acquainted with Renand. It is conceivable that Gurlitt may have purchased the painting directly from him.

Per Renand's descendants, no records pertaining to the art collection have been preserved.

The stamp on verso is that of the art supplier À la Croix de Malte in Paris, 69, rue du Faubourg Poissonnière.

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