



## Daubigny - Esmeralda And Notre-dame Paris - Drawing 1840

900 EUR



Signature : Attribué à Charles-François DAUBIGNY  
(1817-1878)

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Paper

Length : 17

Width : 10

### Description

Rare romantic drawing illustrating the novel "Notre-Dame de Paris" by Victor HUGO, we find the court of miracles gathered there at nightfall : Esmeralda, recognizable by her tambourine and her goat, dances by the fire, while stands the evil silhouette of a gallows in the center of the composition and, in the background, the majestic Notre-Dame cathedral. According to our research ("C. Daubigny et son oeuvre gravé" by Frédéric Henriot, 1875 - see last pic), an illustrated version of "Notre-Dame de Paris" appeared in 1844 (Perrotin publisher), decorated with 20 steel and wood engravings by Charles-François DAUBIGNY and other artists. DAUBIGNY thus produced "Esmeralda in front of Notre-Dame", "the dungeon of Esmeralda" or even "the gibbet of Montfaucon". We did not find this drawing in

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the illustrated book, it could however be an illustration essay ultimately not retained. The work is signed in ink DAUBIGNY at the bottom right, went to auction in 1994 "attributed to DAUBIGNY" when the subject had not been identified (simply titled "night scene"!)). The style corresponds well to that of certain drawings by DAUBIGNY of the same period. Absolutely charming subject, rarely treated (moreover often the property of museums), not to be missed!

!Graphite with a few charcoal lines 10 x 17 cms (with 19th century frame, some restorations, approximately 19 x 25 cms) Good general condition, sheet glued in full on paper with traces of dried glue, particularly visible on the edges of the sheet, some foxing Signed in ink lower right "DAUBIGNY" On the back of the framing cardboard, various labels glued relating to the sale at Drouot (auctioneers Oger - Dumont) of 15, 16, 17 March 1994 (sale estate Mr and Mrs Grosjean) where this drawing was offered as lot 493 DRAWING SOLD "ATTRIBUTED TO DAUBIGNY" - SALE WITH INVOICE FROM OUR GALLERY PLEASE LOOK AT OUR OTHER PAINTINGS AND DRAWINGS FOR SALE !