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Carl Spitzweg

Lot 108

In the pharmacy



Low estimate :

€ 1,600

High estimate :

€ 2,000

Buyers premium incl. VAT :

32 %

Artist

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Additional description

Bleistift auf Velin. (1840er Jahre). 21,1 x 23,6 cm (Blattgröße). Unten rechts mit dem Nachlassstempel (Lugt 2307).

Period

(1808 - München - 1885)

Technique

Arbeiten auf Papier

Provenance

Privatsammlung, Niedersachsen;Lempertz, Köln, Auktion, 17.5.2008, Los 1339;seitdem in Privatbesitz, Süddeutschland.

Born the middle of three sons of a wealthy merchant, Spitzweg showed an early interest in art and an exceptional talent for drawing. However, he initially chose a different path: from 1825, he began an apprenticeship with Franz Xaver Pettenkofer at the Munich court pharmacy before studying pharmacy at the University of Munich. Having become financially independent thanks to his father's inheritance, he decided to devote himself entirely to art during a stay at a health resort in 1833 after recovering from illness. Here he depicts a pharmacist stretching on a staircase in search of urgently needed medicine for a toothache - his customer, visibly suffering and with a cloth around his throbbing cheek, will thank him. - Darkened in the former mat opening. Some of the sheet edges somewhat unevenly trimmed. In good condition in keeping with its age.