

Basic Detail Report



Robert Henry Van Rensselaer and Son

Date

c. 1848

Medium

Leather, Case exterior Wood, Case Glass Gold, Mat Silver-plated copper

Description

Daguerreotype (1/6 plate). Image shows Robert Henry Van Rensselaer (b. June 17, 1817, d. March 6, 1888) posed holding his son of the same name (b. December 30, 1845). The child sits on his father's lap and rests his head on the man's chest. The child is approximately 3 years of age, and wears a plaid dress. Mr. Van Rensselaer wears a

waistcoat and vest with plaid cravat and high collar shirt fashionable at the time. Image is surrounded by a hand-cut gold mat. The brown, leather covers have a raised bouquet of flowers design surrounded by scrollwork.

Dimensions

Closed Dimensions: 3 1/4 × 2 3/4 in. (8.3 × 7 cm)