



George Beldam, Harry Vardon Photogravure

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£850



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Height: 40.5 cm (15.9")

Width: 28 cm (11")

Framed Height: 74.5 cm (29.3")

Framed Width: 58.5 cm (23")

Description

Golf Print, Harry Vardon by Beldam.

A fine golf photogravure of Harry Vardon by George Beldam, signed in pencil by Harry Vardon himself. Published by the Swan Electric Engraving Company, Northumbria House, 116 Charing Cross Road, London, 1st September, 1905. Harry Vardon was a champion golfer and member of the Great Triumvirate of the sport, together with J.H.Taylor and James Braid. During his career Vardon won 62 golf tournaments, including six British Open Championship titles, 1896, 1898, 1899, 1903, 1911 and 1914, and the U.S. Open in 1900.

George (William) Beldam was born in Kent 1868 and was a first class cricketer and pioneer of action photography in sport. He revolutionised the way sport was photographed and captured many of the sports personalities as spectators would have seen them, in action and not the traditional form of posed photography. An excellent golfer and cricketer, he produced books of 'action photographs' on Golf, Tennis and Cricket, as well as being a talented watercolour painter. His famous book of photographs 'Great Golfers - their Methods at a Glance', published in 1904 gives an excellent insight into how the great players of the time actually swung the club. He also produced two instructional books with C. B. Fry:- Great Batsmen: Their Methods at a Glance and Great Bowlers and Fielders: Their Methods at a Glance. His photographs also provided the basis for A. Chevallier Tayler's series of colour lithographs of cricketers in action.