



Signed Snaffles Grand National Print, Worst View In Europe

Charles Snaffles, Johnson Payne

Sold



REF: 30581

Height: 23 cm (9.1")

Width: 49 cm (19.3")

Framed Height: 45 cm (17.7")

Framed Width: 71 cm (28")

Framed Depth: 71 cm (28")

Description

Signed Snaffles Equestrian Print, Worst View In Europe.

Finest View In Europe & Worst View In Europe are most probably Snaffles most famous pair of equestrian pictures. On offer here is the titled lithograph 'Worst View In Europe' with subtitle 'Oh Murther! The dhrink died out of me and the wrong side of Bechers'. The picture is signed in pencil by the artist, bottom left-hand corner. The picture depicts the 63rd Grand National that took place at Aintree near Liverpool, on 29th March 1901, best remembered for having taken place in a snowstorm. Arthur Nightingall riding 'Grudon', the eventual winner by four lengths, is approaching Becher's Brook, there is a loose grey horse to his right and in front a horse is taking a terrible fall at the fence. The remarque, bottom right, shows a first aid man waving a flag over a lying supine rider, whilst a policeman holds the reins of the unfortunate jockeys horse. Arthur Nightingall gave credit to his victory to the genius of owner-trainer Bletsoe who took the decision to pack Grudon's hooves with butter to prevent snow clogging in them.

This Charles "Snaffles" Johnson Payne (1884 1967) picture is in good original condition and framed in original black wooden frame with the Snaffles blindstamp (a bridle bit) above the signature.