Hotel d'Hambourg

Thomas Rowlandson

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Description

Thomas Rowlandson (1756-1827)
The Hotel d'Hambourg, Paris

Inscribed by the artist lower right: Hotel D'Hambourgh a Paris
Pen and grey and brown ink and wash on laid paper with the artist's original mount
18.8 by 29.5 cm., 7 ¼ by 11 ½ in.

Provenance:
With W/S Fine Art, 2005;
Private collection, UK until 2011

Stylistically this dates from the mid1780s which suggests it may have been drawn on Rowlandson's third visit to Paris in 1785. A hotel of this name was on Rue Jacob in the St Germain area of Paris at the time and Benjamin Franklin is known to have stayed there in the winter of 1776-77. A similar drawing, once in the Witt collection, shows a scene outside the `Hotel de Montmorenci, Paris.'

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