Tours on the Loire

William Callow

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William Callow, R.W.S. (1812-1908)
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Signed with monogram lower left and inscribed lower right: Tours/June 18th 1836
Watercolour over pencil heightened with white on blue-grey paper
13.7 by 23.2cm., 5 ¼ by 9in.

He set off from Paris on 6th June with a German friend called Soherr and travelled along the Loire and then to the South. On 17th June he set off from Amboise arriving in Tours the same day. His diary entry for 18th June reads: `Did a little sketching, but we could find nothing very interesting. We were detained in Tours for our washing till seven that evening. They arrived back in Paris on 16th August having travelled about 1,700 miles and spent only £20.

A more finished version of this view dated 1839 is in the Castle Museum, Nottingham (see Jan Reynolds, William Callow, 1980, pl.22).

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