A Boathouse at Pimlico, Vauxhall Bridge beyond, London

John Varley

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Description

John Varley (1778-1842)
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Watercolour over pencil heightened with touches of bodycolour
23.3 by 35.2 cm., 9 by 13 ¾ in.

Provenance:
With Michael Bryan, London;
Private Collection until 2014

This is a view looking from Pimlico east towards the Thames. Vauxhall Bridge or Regent Bridge as it was originally known was built between 1809 and 1816 to help the development of the south bank of the Thames. The current bridge replaced it in 1906.

This watercolour belongs to a group of views by Varley taken on the banks of the Thames dating from the early 1830s. Another version of this watercolour, dated 1830, was with Bonhams on 6th December 1972, lot 63 (see Huon Mallalieu, The Dictionary of British Watercolour Artists up to 1920, vol. II, 2002, p. 233, ill.) and a similar view of Vauxhall Bridge is in the Yale Center for British Art, New Haven. This may show Sullivan's Boathouse which stood on the Thames at Millbank and was drawn by Varley from a different angle in 1830 and sold at Sotheby's on 29th November 1973, lot 62.

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