

View at Shotover near Oxford

Dr William Crotch

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Description

Dr William Crotch (1775-1847)

View on Shotover Hill near Oxford looking towards Mr Schutz's House

Indistinctly inscribed verso: On the opposite side/.... up the grand mount/of Shotover/... 1825/... View on Shotover/looking towards Mr Schutz...

Coloured chalks and watercolour on blue paper

12 by 21.7 cm., 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ by 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.

Shotover Hill is a prominent ridge, which lies about 3 miles east of Oxford, and offers one of the best views of the city. On the north slope of the hill lies Shotover House and estate. Augustus Schütz (c1693-1757) Keeper of the Privy Purse and Master of the Robes to George II, acquired Shotover in 1742 on the death of his friend and his wife's former guardian, James Tyrell. The estate passed first to his son George Frederick, Groom of the Bedchamber to George III and then to Thomas James Schutz, before passing through Thomas' sister to the Drury family.