



Honoré Daumier

Dire, que peut-être, j'en serai réduit bientôt à échanger ma couronne contre un simple chapeau!... (Hard to imagine that one day I might have to trade my crown against a simple hat!), 1855

Monochrome lithograph on paper, 350 x 266 mm

in the stone, lower left, artist's monogram; lower right, inscribed: "851"

printed inscriptions, upper centre: "ACTUALITÉS"; upper right: "249"; lower left: "m^{on} Martinet, 146, r Rivoli et 41, r. Vivienne"; lower right: "Lith. Destouches 28, r. Paradis P^{te} Paris"; lower centre: "Dire que peut-être j'en serai réduit bientôt à échanger ma couronne contre un simple chapeau !..."

on recto, inscribed in pencil, lower left: "D 2554"; lower centre: "1"; lower right: "N. Degg [illegible] 1855"

on verso, lower right, inscribed in pencil: "LD 25 54", "30 79"

Provenance:

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By latest 2012: Cornelius Gurlitt, Munich/Salzburg

From 6 May 2014: Estate of Cornelius Gurlitt

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Note:

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This plate is no. 249 of the series *Actualités* and was first published in the satirical journal *Le Charivari* on 1 December 1855.

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