

Lionel Durieu - The Lily and the Rose

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Description

LIONEL DURIEU (Born 1865)

The Tournay of the Lily and the Rose

Signed and dated 1898Watercolour and gold and silver paint on vellumFramed 19 by 31 cm., $7 \frac{1}{2}$ by 12 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.(frame size 31 by 42.5 cm., 12 $\frac{1}{4}$ by 16 $\frac{3}{4}$ in.)

Although not a direct copy, the present work combines elements from the illustrations in Walter Crane's Queen Summer or The Tourney of the Lily & the Rose, first published by Cassell & Co in 1891. Crane's work was greatly admired in Belgium and he is considered a precursor of the Belgium Art Nouveau movement of architecture and design which first developed in Brussels in the early 1890s.

Born in Tournai, Lionel Jean Baptiste Etienne Alfred Ghislain Durieu was the son of an eminent Belgian photographer. He worked as an artist and photographer.