

Mountains, North Wales

John Samuel Hayward

£1,450



Description

John Samuel Hayward (1778-1822)
Mountains in North Wales

Signed with initials lower right and inscribed: north wales
Watercolour over traces of pencil
15 by 25.6 cm., 6 by 10 in.

Provenance:
Michael Ingram (1917-2005)

A floor cloth manufacturer by trade, Hayward was an accomplished amateur artist, who was friends with Joshua Cristall, John Sell Cotman and Thomas Girtin amongst others. He exhibited regularly at the Royal Academy between 1798 and 1816 and was a long-standing member of the Sketching Society, in its various guises under Girtin, Cotman and the Chalon Brothers and even served as its secretary during Cotman's presidency.

The present spontaneous sketch capturing a distant view of Mount Snowdon, was created on one of Hayward's trips to Wales, most probably in 1800, when he was with Thomas Girtin and Sir George Beaumont, or possibly slightly later in 1810. Hayward was an inveterate traveller and filled numerous sketchbooks with the results of his travels. He travelled regularly throughout Britain, to Scotland, Ireland and to France and Italy on more than one occasion.