A Citron-crested Cockatoo and a Snake

Edward Lear

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Description

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Edward Lear (1812-1888)
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Signed lower centre: E. Lear
Watercolour and pencil heightened with bodycolour
17.1 by 13.5 cm., 6 ¾ by 5 ¼ in.

Provenance:
By descent in the family of the owner
The Citron-crested Cockatoo (Cacatua sulphurea citrinocristata) is a medium-sized cockatoo with an orange crest and dark grey beak. The underside of it's larger wings and tail feathers have a pale yellow colour. The eye colour ranges from brown through very dark brown to black. The smallest of the Yellow-crested Cockatoo subspecies, it is endemic to Sumba in the Lesser Sunda Islands in Indonesia, although it is now listed as critical endangered.

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