

CHRISTIE'S

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19th Century European Paintings ~ Orientalist Art ~ Bouguereau and the Academic Tradition

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Sold: \$ 12,236,340 Lots offered: 265 Lots sold: 173 £: \$1.87/€: \$1.26
£6,543,497 Sold by lot: 65% Sold by \$: 73% Sale No: 1717
€9,711,380

COMMENT: Deborah Coy, Head of the 19th Century European Paintings department: "A healthy result for a well-edited sale was the outcome of today's 19th Century European Paintings auction. The market's appetite for the Orientalists, led by the American artists Edwin Lord Weeks and Frederick Arthur Bridgman, is still noticeably present and many of the Orientalists paintings were among the strong performers in the sale. The diversity of the offered material, combined with their very reasonable estimates, attracted solid bidding throughout morning and afternoon sessions with very decent results achieved for French Academic, Victorian, and Mediterranean paintings. The Barbizon School – currently a collecting field offering excellent buying opportunities – was clearly witnessing a subtle revival with Léon Augustin Lhermitte's *Laveuses au lavoir* fetching \$318,400, almost tripling its pre-sale estimate."

LOT	PRICE		ESTIMATE	BUYER
123	\$856,000	£457,754/€679,365	\$800,000 – 1,200,000	US Private
William Adolphe Bouguereau, <i>Secrets de l'Amour</i> , oil on canvas				
114	\$576,000	£308,021/€457,143	\$500,000 – 700,000	US Private
William Adolphe Bouguereau, <i>Le Réveil</i> , oil on canvas				
30	\$531,200	£284,064/€421,587	\$400,000 – 600,000	US Private
Edwin Lord Weeks, <i>Un embarquement de chameaux sur la plage de Salé, Maroc</i> , oil on canvas				
111	\$441,600	£236,150/€350,476	\$380,000 – 550,000	US Private
Edwin Lord Weeks, <i>The Temple and Tank of Walkeschwar at Bombay</i> , oil on canvas				
146	\$419,200	£224,171/€332,698	\$400,000 – 600,000	US Private
Arthur John Elsley, <i>As Good as Ever</i> , oil on canvas				
118	\$408,000	£218,182/€323,801	\$300,000 – 500,000	US Private
Léon Joseph Florentin Bonnat, <i>Samson's Youth</i> , oil on canvas				
159	\$408,000	£218,182/€323,801	\$500,000 – 700,000	South American Private
Eugène Delacroix, <i>The Banks of the River Sebou</i> , oil on canvas				
131	\$374,400	£200,214/€297,143	\$200,000 – 300,000	US Private
James-Jacques-Joseph Tissot, <i>Dans la serre</i> , oil on canvas				
7	\$374,400	£200,214/€297,143	\$300,000 – 500,000	Private
Arthur von Ferrais, <i>Driving a Bargain</i> , oil on panel				
143	\$318,400	£107,267/€252,698	\$200,000 – 300,000	UK Trade
Frederico del Campo, <i>The Grand Canal with a View of the Ca' d'Oro, Venice</i> , oil on canvas				