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BERG, EMMA VILHELMINA
Stockholm 1886 - 1928

Title: Midnight Sun in the Polar Region.
Technique: Oil on canvas.
Mounting: Relined.
Measurement: 32,5 x 47cm.
Notation: Signed lower right: 30 Juli Nacht 3 Uhr / Emmy Berg.
Frame/Pedestal: Framed.

Provenance:
Private ownership, Germany.

The interest in expeditions and real adventures in the far north of our planet originated at the beginning of the 16th century: at that time, the aim was to discover a northern sea route between the Pacific and the Atlantic in order to drive economic expansion. From the 19th century onwards, expeditions to the North Pole served more scientific and exploratory purposes.

The present painting can also be seen in this context and is a visual testimony to one of the explorations of the modern era.

The painting reveals another feature of the period of great art-historical significance: the effect of the light from the midnight sun on the snow. Contrary to popular belief, the depiction shows the multi-layered aesthetics of this natural wonder. The colour palette of the airy painting is rich: blue, grey, yellow, orange, green, turquoise and white attract the viewer's attention. The carefully placed brushstrokes give the painting a breathtaking aesthetic and emphasise the pure beauty of untouched nature.

Looking at this painting, one immediately finds oneself in a vast, deserted winter landscape. Thick snow has fallen on the surrounding countryside. The view continues endlessly until it ends at a large, elegant rock face that stretches along the horizon.

Estimate: 1.200 € - 1.500 €; Hammer: 1.200 €
