

Title The Sweetheart's Portrait

Date 1869 or earlier

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Photography; albumen print on paper on cardboard carte-de-visite mount

Description Two fluffy white cats sit on crumpled cloth. The cat on the right holds a portrait miniature of a woman in a metal case in its paws. A ribbon and a cord are attached to the portrait, which was probably meant to be worn as a locket. The cat on the left licks the neck of the other cat with its tongue. A roll of cloth is on a wooden box in the right background.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x width): $2\,3/16\,x\,3\,7/16$ in. ($5.6\,x\,8.7$ cm) Sheet (height x width): $2\,3/16\,x\,3\,7/16$ in. ($5.6\,x\,8.7$ cm) Mount (height x width): $2\,5/16\,x\,3\,7/8$ in. ($5.9\,x\,9.8$ cm)