

Basic Detail Report

Title Pretty Polly.

Date 1845

Medium Lithography; printer's ink and watercolor on wove paper

Description In the interior of a room, a young woman dances a jig facing a large bird on a wooden stand. She is wearing a short skirt with a laced bodice, a shift, pantalettes, and high buttoned shoes. She has ribbons in her hair. The bird, apparently a cockatoo rather than a parrot, is fastened to its perch by a cord. A cloth cover for the stand is draped from a bar at the right. An upholstered couch, a mirror, a screen, a landscape painting in a gilt frame, and patterned drapery are in the background. Striped wallpaper is on the wall. A patterned carpet is on the floor. A bouquet of flowers lies on the floor near the bird's stand.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (image height x width): 11 13/16 x 8 1/2in. (30 x 21.6cm) Sheet (height x width): 14 1/16 x 10in. (35.7 x 25.4cm)