Coe Hall Frame Survey

Title:

In Morocco

Location:

Writing Room Hall

Frame Type:

Carved wood; Gesso; Gold Leaf

Maker/Date:

Unknown Maker/

Examiner:

Eric Price

Dimensions:

17 1/2" x 9 1/2"

Moulding Dimensions:

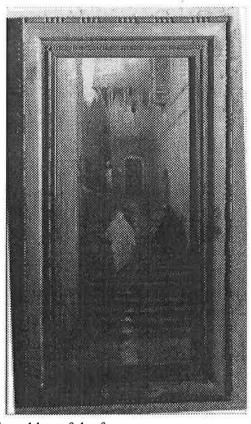
1 1/2"W x 7/8"D

Description

The frame was examined on the wall therefore the type of wood and the joint method could not be observed. The frame appears to be made up of two inserts. The outer moulding is a flat profile with a beveled sight edge and an added band of bead and reel ornament, the finish is gold leaf. The inner moulding is also a flat profile, this moulding is very crude with a band of bead and reel ornament, this moulding is finished with bronze powder paint.

Condition

The ornament on both sections of the frame has been added, it is wood moulding that has been nailed on and painted. The gesso around the outer edge is unstable and lifting with scattered losses. The mitered corners of the inner moulding are open.



Painting Installation

The face of the painting appears to contact the rabbet of the frame.

Treatment Recommendations

This frame is unstable, however, since the frame is not of high quality and the amount of work required to restore it is substantial a replacement frame would be recommended.

PRIORITY: HIGH

TIME COMMITMENT: LOW - Replace frame