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Your enquiry of 6 May took an unconscionable time to reach me: but it is now before me together with the ectachromes of the pair of full-length portraits which belong to the Planting Fields Foundation at the former Coe Mansion, Oyster Bay, Long Island.

The portraits are certainly not by Van Dyck, although clearly influenced by his style of portraiture in Genoa. I suspect that the painter was Giovanni Bernardo Carbone. Have they been extensively repainted? I know nothing of their history.

Please send me fresh ectachromes.

Professor Michael Jaffé Director

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