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## **NORTHERN ITALIAN OIL ON CANVAS DEPICTING AN EROTIC FLAGELLATION SCENE**

A NORTHERN ITALIAN OIL ON CANVAS DEPICTING AN EROTIC FLAGELLATION SCENE ATTRIBUTED TO  
CARLO ANTONIO TAVELLA (MILAN 1668 – 1738)

IN AN 18TH CENTURY CARVED AND GILDED WOOD FRAME, OIL ON CANVAS  
EARLY 18TH CENTURY

SIZE: 17.5CM HIGH, 23CM WIDE – 7 INS HIGH, 9 INS WIDE  
28.5CM HIGH, 34.5CM WIDE – 11¼ INS HIGH, 13½ INS WIDE (FRAMED)

## **LITERATURE**

CARLO ANTONIO TAVELLA WAS KNOWN AS 'IL SOLFAROLA'. HE WAS AN ITALIAN PAINTER OF THE BAROQUE PERIOD ACTIVE MAINLY IN GENOA. HE WAS BORN IN MILAN THE SON OF A GENOESE MERCHANT AND WAS INITIALLY A PUPIL OF THE PAINTER GUISEPPE MERATI. IN 1695 HE WAS WORKING IN THE STUDIO OF THE DUTCH PAINTER PIETER MOLYN CALLED 'IL TEMPESTA'. MUSEUMS IN BORDEAUX, GENEVA, SAVONA AND EDINBURGH HOLD EXAMPLES OF HIS WORK.