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CHÂTILLON, Charles de Vaujours, comte de

Doullens 1777 - Paris 1844

Miniaturist and draughtsman. There are some confusions in the records of the children of Charles's father, Charles-Michel Vaujours de Châtillon (1722-p.1787), chevalier de Saint-Michel, an army officer and artillery commander in Grenada until 1767, then lieutenant du roi au citadelle de Doullens; his second wife was Marie-Françoise-Geneviève Picquet de Dourier. Charles-Michel's brother, Jean-Baptiste Vaujours, was médecin du roi en Amérique; both were ennobled in 1773. A brother, Marie-Adrien-Francois, was born in Doullens, 12.I.1771. Charles, it is said, was reduced by the events of the Revolution to the necessity of exercising professionally his talent in the fine arts. He exhibited miniatures and cameos from 1795 to 1808. He became secretary to Lucien Bonaparte, and followed him in exile to Rome as in 1804. With Lucien he was detained by the English after an attempted flight to America. They returned to Rome in 1814. In 1842 Châtillon published a volume of memoirs on his years of exile. He was probably the vendor of a collection of paintings sold in Paris, 10.II.1809, with a Catalogue de tableaux de diverses écoles, composant le cabinet de M. de C.....n.

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