Neil Jeffares, Dictionary of pastellists before 1800

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HÉRAULT, Mme Charles-Antoine, née Marie-Geneviève de Lens

Paris c.1655–1718

Wife of a landscape painter (they were married in 1676) in the Hérault dynasty and mother of Marie-Catherine, Mme Louis de Silvestre (*q.v.*). Her father was an orfèvre, Jean Delens (1611– 1689). Her dates are uncertain: she attended the marriage of her daughter on 15.VII.1715, and a plausible source has 1718. The only indication that she was a pastellist is in Silvestre 1869 who states that Marie-Catherine was taught by both her father and her mother "qui excellait dans d'art de peindre au pastel et en miniature".

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