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110 ARTHUR VON MEYERN

c. 1850 - 1893

Portrait of James Speight

Oil on canvas 66 x 49

Signed & dated 1884

4,000 - 6,000

James Speight, founder of Dunedin's famous Speight's Brewery, is the imposing subject of this rare portrait. Dressed in beaver skin top hat, gold fob chain and full beard, Speight founded the brewery along with Charles Greenslade and William Dawson. The *Pride of the South* was first brewed on 4 April 1876 at the present Rattray Street site. The opening of Speight's Ale Houses throughout New Zealand followed.

This work by London born portrait painter Arthur Von Meyern (1853? -1893) is painted in the manner of his contemporary, the artist Gottfried Lindauer (1839 - 1926). Von Meyern is listed as teaching at Braemar House School Dunedin in 1884, his two daughters Ellen and Blanche were also artists. In this work he successfully captures the powerful personality of the original *Southern Man*.

111 PETER BEADLE

b. 1933

Musterers, Beaumont Station, Central Otago

Oil on board 60 x 90

Signed

8,000 - 12,000