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ORIGIN: South Arabia (present-day
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CULTURAL PASSPORT: supplied w
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PROVENANCE: purchased in Mecc

The prince Henry Jean Prince Nassouf, born in 1800 in Spain, was the grandson of Fazel Al
Din Shah Qajar who governed Iran from 1849 to 1896. Distinguished hunter, he loved
collecting the art of the region. He had seven daughters whom the British diplomats called
"the seven capital sins" because of their somewhat extravagant social life.

BIBLIOGRAPHY: for a similar piece see "Collecting Masterpieces" Part one, by Beryl
Cavallini, pages 44/45.

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