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WASHINGTON, June 23: David E. Finley, Director of the National Gallery of Art, announced today that the Gallery had received as a bequest an important collection of paintings and prints from the late R. Horace Gallatin of New York. Mr. Gallatin was the great-grandson of Albert Gallatin, Secretary of the Treasury from 1802 to 1814, and also of Elbridge Gerry, a signer of the Declaration of Independence and of the Constitution of the United States.

Mr. Gallatin's collection of prints is to go on exhibition in the National Gallery of Art on June 26. There will be an exhibition at a later date of the group of paintings which includes works of Corot, Dupré, Diaz, Harpignies, J. F. Millet, Rousseau and Cazin.

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In connection with the coming print exhibition, Mr. Finley said: "Mr. Gallatin's collection of engravings and etchings maintains an extraordinarily high standard of quality. It represents forty years of discriminating collecting. The prints, which have now come to the National Gallery through the generosity of Mr. Gallatin, constitute an important and welcome addition to the Gallery's resources in this field, especially in the works of Dürer, Rembrandt, and Meryon, all represented by superb examples in the Gallatin bequest."

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