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Representation of a War Canoe of New Zealand, with a View of the Gable End Foreland

Stock#: 11428
Map Maker: Hogg / Cook
Date: 1784
Place: London
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 14.5 x 11 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Marvelous engraving of a Maori War Canoe from an 18th Century work by Sidney Parkinson. The view shows ornately carved canoe with high stern on the right, 8 Maori Warriors standing and about 28 seated. Each of the warrior figures is wearing feathers in their hair and 6 are cloaked. Gable End Foreland is in the left distance; however it is inaccurately depicted, since the whole image is a reversal of an earlier engraving. A reversed version of A war canoe of New Zealand, with a view of Gable End Foreland engraved by J. J. Barralet', published 1772 and 1773 in Hawkesworth's account of Cook's voyage to New Zealand. Both the Barralet and Prattent engravings are partially derived from an ink and wash drawing in the British Museum, A New Zealand War Canoe by Sydney Parkinson, although the canoe shown is much shorter and the number of rowers much fewer in the Parkinson drawing. The reversal of the Prattent engraving means that the background landscape is inaccurately depicted and the canoe is facing in the wrong direction. Parkinson's original observation of the scene with the canoe was in 1769. Minor marginal tears, but in all a nice example.

Detailed Condition: