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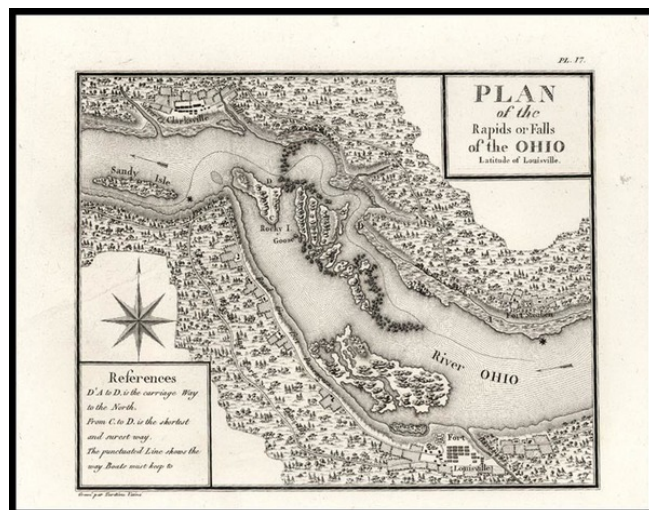
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Plan of the Rapids or Falls of the Ohio

Stock#: 14582
Map Maker: Collot
Date: 1804
Place: Paris
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG+
Size: 7.5 x 6 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Collot's Plan of the Falls of the Ohio is one of the rarest plans of the region and one of the most important. Collot's survey in 1796 was part of an intelligence mission into Spanish Louisiana and Florida in preparation for a possible French attack on the Spanish colonies. Collot was arrested by Governor Carondelet and expelled from the colony. The Plan shows Clarksville, Silver Creek, Mill Creek, Sandy Isle, Rocky Island, Goose Island, Fort Louisville, Fourt Stenben, a road for foot passengers, a wagon road, and various anchorages and other details. Rumsey notes that the map pre-dates the Louisiana purchase in 1803. Although French General Victor Collot traveled through the Ohio and Mississippi River valleys in 1796, his two-volume account was not published until 1826. During his inspection tour, Collot observed the topography, resources, and people of these American and Spanish-held lands, which he illustrated with regional maps, town plans, and views in an accompanying atlas. Collot's work was completed in 1804, but delayed 20 years by the death of Collot. The work represented a significant step forward in the mapping of the regions explored. This is one of 23 maps which appeared in the Atlas volume, of which only 100 were printed in English. The work is of extreme rarity and very important in the history of American Cartography. Phillips 1214-27; Streeter 1789; Eberstadt 137-132; Buck 48; Sabin 14460; WC 31a:2a; Howes C601; Wheat 236; Karrow 1-1228. A fine example. Silked on verso.

Detailed Condition: