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The falls of St. Anthony in the River Mississippi

Stock#: 30567 **Map Maker:** Carver

Date: 1780 circa
Place: London
Color: Uncolored

Condition: VG

Size: 7 x 4 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Fine copperplate engraved image of the Falls of St. Anthony, based upon the view which appeared in Carver's *Travels through the interior parts of North-America*, in the years 1766, 1767, and 1768.

Named by Louis Hennepin in 1680, St. Anthony Falls at present-day Minneapolis is the only significant waterfall on the Mississippi River, although, through a series of entrepeneurial ventures, it is substantially changed from its original condition.

Jonathan Carver was the first Englishman to undertake an exploration of the west. His purpose was to map the land, to be friend the native Americans, and to discover the Northwest passage. His journey began in 1766 and, in some ways, was the precursor of the Lewis and Clark expedition; his book was the first popular American travel book.

Also attributed tentatively to John Coakley Lettsom, known to be involved with the work at least in the capacity of editor.

Detailed Condition: