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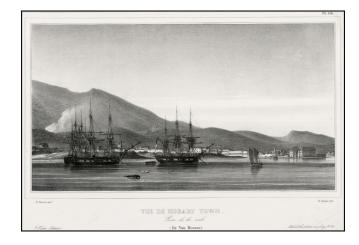
Map Maker: Dumont-D'Urville

Date: 1833
Place: Paris
Color: Uncolored

Condition: VG

Size: 13.5 x 11 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Fine early view of Hobart Showing the Harbor and Mt. Wellington, which apeared in *Voyage de la Corvette l'Astrolabe*, the account of Jules Dumont D'Urville's important expedition to the South Seas between 1826 and 1829.

Rear Admiral Jules Sébastien César Dumont d'Urville (1790-1842) was a French explorer and naval officer, who explored the south and western Pacific, Australia, New Zealand, and Antarctica. Dumont d'Urville led an expedition into the South Pacific aboard the *Astrolabe*, which sailed to the coast of southern Australia, extensively mapped the South Island of New Zealand, explored the archipelagos of Tonga and Fiji and the coasts of New Guinea. He located La Pérouse's shipwreck in Vanikoro and collected numerous remains of his boats, before returning to France in 1829.

After completing the voyage, he was promoted to captain and he was put in charge of writing the report of his travels. The five volumes were published at the expense of the French government between 1832 and 1834. In his report, he criticized the military structures, his colleagues, the French Academy of Sciences and even the King - none of which, in his opinion, had given the voyage of the *Astrolabe* due acknowledgment.

Detailed Condition: