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Hudsons River From Chambers Creek looking thro the High Lands (West Point)

Stock#: 34232
Map Maker: Robertson
Date: 1802
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 18.5 x 14 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Fine early view by Alexander Robertson of the Hudson River from Chamber's Creek, looking toward West Point, New York, engraved by Francis Jukes in London.

Originally issued as one of a set of four, the views being

- New York from Hobuck Ferry
- Mount Vernon
- Passaic Falls
- Hudson River near West Point

Only one complete set is known to exist and it is in the I. N. Phelps Stokes collection of the New York Public Library.

Scottish-born painter Alexander Robertson (1772-1841) and his brother Archibald Robertson (1765-1835) were founders of the city's first art school, the Columbia Academy. Francis Jukes (1745-1812) was a talented engraver, primarily aquatint, and publisher based in London.

In 1652, Thomas Chambers bought land bordering the Hudson River from the Esopus Indians (the area is now known as Kingston). The land was developed and became important for the Dutch Fur Trade, this is possibly the area depicted in this print and named 'Chambers Creek'.

The Hudson River is named after English explorer Henry Hudson, who first navigated it in 1609 while

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looking for a passage to China. The river became an important waterway for English, Dutch and French colonists.

Detailed Condition: