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Panoramic View of New York, From the East River.

Stock#: 59673
Map Maker: Havell
Date: 1844
Place: Sing Sing, New York
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 31.4 x 12 inches
Price: \$ 7,500.00



Description:

Havell Aquatint View of New York From the East River

Rare separately published view of New York City, painted and engraved by Robert Havell. The ships were drawn by J. Pringle.

Beginning in the second quarter of the 19th century, a significant number of printed views documenting the expansion of New York were issued, reflecting "the pride and satisfaction of its citizens in the growing mercantile prominence of their city." Robert Havell's views of the city provide a fine illustration of its dramatic growth in this time frame. Lower Manhattan was becoming increasingly commercial as residences and churches moved uptown. "The demand for images of buildings, civic events, and broad vistas made this an active period for printmakers of all degrees of competence." (Metropolitan Museum of Art, Spring Bulletin, 1980, pp 28-29).

Robert Havell is best known for his aquatints of *Audubon's Birds of America*. He emigrated to New York in 1839. His view of New York from the East River and its companion view from the Hudson River, both published in 1844, are noted for the excellence of the aquatint and the rich hand-coloring.

Rarity

The Havell view is scarce on the market. This is the first example we have offered.

Detailed Condition:

Minor soiling. Trimmed to plate mark and laid on a larger sheet.

Drawer Ref: New York City &
Long Island

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