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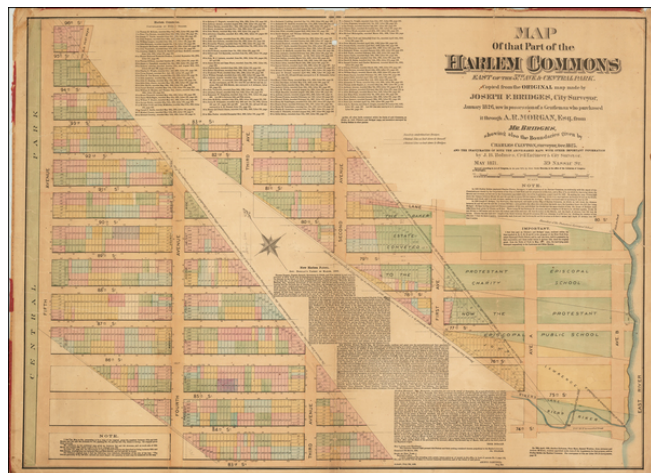
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Map Of that Part of the Harlem Commons East of the 5th Ave & Central Park. Copied from the Original map made by Joseph F. Bridges, City Surveyor, January 1826, now in possession of a Gentleman who purchased it through A. R. Morgan.

Stock#: 61039
Map Maker: Bute Holmes
Date: 1871
Place: New York
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 31.5 x 23 inches
Price: \$3,400.00



Description:

Rare Antique Map of Part of Harlem, New York City.

Superb large format, separately issued map of parts of the Upper East Side and Harlem in Manhattan, by one of New York's most fascinating mapmakers, John Bute Holmes.

This map shows a strip of land (in two sections) with the southern border proceeding northwest from 74th street and the East River to 86th Street and Central Park. The northern border extends from 74th Street and the East River to 96th Street and Park Avenue.

The so-called Harlem Commons extended northwest from the sawmill supposedly located around the present intersection of 74th Street and East End Avenue. It continued through the Upper East Side north into Harlem through what is now Central Park.

Provenance

This map was acquired as a part of a large collection of New York cadastral maps associated with the lawyer Ronald K. Brown, a Deed Commissioner operating in the late 19th and early 20th century with an office at 76 Nassau Street, New York - not far from Holmes' own office. Most of the maps in the collection, including the present map, bear Brown's stamp on the verso. The maps were passed to Dominic Anthony Trotta, a real estate agent working under Brown. Brown seems to have ceased business around 1919, but Trotta continued as a real estate agent, becoming a New York Tax Commissioner in 1934 under the



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Fiorello H. La Guardia administration. The maps remained with Trotta's heirs until our acquisition of the collection.

Publication History and Census

This map was created and published by John Bute Holmes in 1866. Three examples are recorded in the OCLC as being part of the institutional collections at Princeton University, the New York State Library, and the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee. New York Public Library has an uncataloged example.

Detailed Condition: