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**Ile de Palawan D'Apres les travaux du Capite W.T. Bate et autres Officiers dela Marine  
Royale Anglaise, et d'apres divers documents etrangers . . .1863**

**Stock#:** 62705  
**Map Maker:** Depot de la Marine  
**Date:** 1863 (1874)  
**Place:** Paris  
**Color:** Uncolored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 25 x 36 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



**Description:**

Finely executed French hydrographical map of the Palawan Islands, in the Philippines, based upon the surveys of William Thornton Bate (1818-1857), a British Royal Navy officer and surveyor who served in First Anglo-Chinese War and Second Anglo-Chinese War.

In autumn 1842, Bate was assigned to Commander Collinson on *HMS Bentinck*, who had been tasked with surveying the waters around the Chinese coast. In May 1842, he was involved in the attack on Chapu. This earned him a Mention in Despatches from Vice Admiral William Parker who commanded the force.

Bate returned to England in 1846, and took a series of scientific courses at the colleges at Woolwich and Portsmouth. He was promoted to Commander in 1848 and given command of *HMS Royalist*, with which he



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was to carry out further surveys of the Chinese coast. He was elected a Fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society on 9 March 1849. One of Bate's final surveys was the island of Palawan, which resulted in maps and the *Sailing directions for Palawan island and passage, being the result of the survey in H.M.S. Royalist, made between the years 1850-1854.*

**Detailed Condition:**

Some minor foxing.