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The Presentation of a Newly Elected Chief of the Huron Tribe, Canada

Stock#: 64566
Map Maker: Thielcke
Date: 1839
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 15.5 x 19 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

One of the Best Canadian Lithographs.

Separately issued hand-colored lithograph of the newly-elected Chief of the Huron Tribe, by H.D. Thielcke. Lithographed by James Henry Lynch, Day & Haghe, Lithographers to the Queen.

This superbly composed and artfully executed lithograph is an important landmark from Canada's early visual history.

The work shows a finely executed illustration of the Huron Tribal Council, and the presentation of Robert Symes as an honorary chief. Robert Symes, an Englishman, was a lawyer, judge and the first chief of the Quebec City police (1838 to 1841). His full Huron name was Robert Symes Esquire Hotwatsi ('Hotwatsi' means hot whiskey in the Huron language).

Thielcke's image shows Syme's election as an honorary chief of the Huron tribe in Loretteville (now



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Wendake) about 12 miles north of Quebec City.

The newly-elected honorary chief is Robert Symes, a merchant of Quebec. The oil painting and a key are in the Château de Ramezay, Montreal, Catalogue (1957) No. 835. Jefferys 739. NOV 19 1986.

Detailed Condition:

Original hand-coloring. Some edgewear expertly mended.