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Switzerland

Stock#: 79138
Map Maker: Tallis
Date: 1851
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 12.5 x 9.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Striking full color example of John Tallis's decorative map of Switzerland. The map is artfully engraved, and typical of Tallis it includes a number of vignettes.

The images on the map tell about the folk hero William Tell (mythical founder of the Swiss Confederacy), depictions of indigenous Tyrolese, chamois hunters. Also shown are images of Bern and the Castle at Chillon.

The map is colored by canton, with a great many cities and other geographical features shown. The map was engraved for R. Montgomery Martin's *Illustrated Atlas*. Tallis was one of the last great decorative map makers and his maps are prized for the wonderful vignettes of indigenous scenes, people, and artifacts that they show.

Detailed Condition: