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St Paul in 1861. Looking Down 4th Street.

Stock#: 85739

Map Maker: Bromley / Illingworth

Date: 1861 (but circa 1880-90)

Place: n.p.

Color: Uncolored

Condition: VG+

Size: 12 x 10 inches (including mount)

Price: \$ 1,800.00



Description:

Wonderful early landscape photograph of St. Paul, Minnesota, by William H. Illingworth, republished by Edward A. Bromley after his acquisition of the plates.

The bird's-eye view looks east down 4th Street in present-day downtown St. Paul. The caption mentions Winslow House (burned in 1862) and the (second) St. Paul Cathedral, which was completed in 1858.

Illingworth is probably best known today for his work on the 1874 Custer Expedition to the Black Hills. Illingworth failed to provide Captain Ludlow with the required number of plates of images he took on the expedition and it became a matter of legal dispute.

Illingworth's images of the 1874 expedition remained in his possession until his death and were later rediscovered in his attic.

We have previously handled another example of this very rare image. Both examples of the image were deaccessioned from Minnesota institutions, indicating their extreme rarity.

Provenance

Deaccessioned from the James J. Hill Reference Library, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Detailed Condition:



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Albumen print mounted on card (slight waviness to the card). Numbered "47" in ink along the upper right corner of the mount. Ink-stamped on verso "Published by E. A. Bromley, Minneapolis, from the original Upton negatives." and "Hill Reference Library St. Paul". With Hill Reference Library call numbers on verso. Early manuscript labels on recto.