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St. Paul, Minn.

Stock#: 87808
Map Maker: Ellsbury
Date: 1874
Place: Chicago
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 29.5 x 16.5 inches
Price: \$ 2,500.00



Description:

One of the Earliest Obtainable Views of St. Paul.

Fine early color-lithographed bird's-eye view of St. Paul, Minnesota, published by Alfred Theodore Andreas, with lithography by Charles Schober & Co., and the view itself drawn by George H. Ellsbury.

The view shows three horse-drawn buggies in the foreground with occupants looking out over the budding city. Farms and houses are in the low lands on the south side of the river. Paddle boats, barges, sculls, and a canoe can be seen on the Mississippi River below. In the background, St. Paul, the Capital of Minnesota, spreads out before the viewer. Much of the city is perched on bluffs overlooking the Mississippi, with a strange, angled bridge gaining considerable altitude on its passage across the river.

The view appeared in A.T. Andreas's important *Illustrated Historical Atlas of the State of Minnesota*.

In the credit line below the image at the lower-left, George H. Ellsbury is given as the artist of the view. It is somewhat curious then that the view is signed "Hoffman" in the lower right of the image itself.

Detailed Condition: