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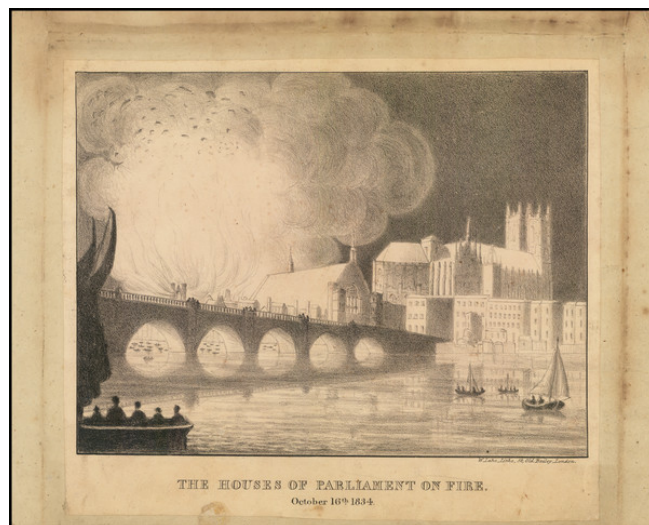
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The Houses of Parliament on Fire. October 16th 1834.

Stock#: 91372
Map Maker: Lake
Date: 1834
Place: London
Color: Uncolored
Condition: Good
Size: 9.2 x 8.9 inches
Price: \$ 295.00



Description:

Very rare lithographed view of the Great Fire of 1834, which destroyed the British Houses of Parliament in London, printed by W. Lake in London.

The fire began in the early hours of the morning, and quickly spread throughout the building. Despite the efforts of the London Fire Brigade, the flames were not able to be contained, and the entire palace was destroyed. The causes of the fire was believed to have been started by a malfunctioning stove in the palace's House of Lords chamber.

After the fire, the British government was forced to find a temporary location for Parliament to meet. The House of Commons met in the nearby Jerusalem Chamber, while the House of Lords met in the Royal Chapel at Westminster Abbey. The palace was rebuilt in the Gothic Revival style, and many of the city's other buildings were also constructed in this style in the years that followed.

The rushed nature of the lithograph may suggest that it was produced on the night of the fire, as some [other lithographs are known to have been](#).

Detailed Condition:

Mounted on a larger sheet. Minor soiling.