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Conflagration of the Tower of London: on the Night of the 30th of October 1841

Stock#:91555Map Maker:Oliver

Date:1841 November 3Place:LondonColor:UncoloredCondition:VGSize:15 x 12 inches

Price: \$ 345.00



Description:

The "Conflagration of the Tower of London" is a tinted lithograph depicting the devastating fire that broke out at the Tower of London on the night of October 30, 1841. The view was drawn on the spot by William Oliver Esqr. and printed by Messrs. Conaghi & Puckle on November 3, 1841.

The lithograph shows a crowd of people gathered outside the walls of the Tower, looking on in shock and horror as the fire rages within. Flames can be seen bursting from every part of the structure, reaching high into the sky. The Tower of London, a historic castle and royal palace, is a prominent feature in the center of the view, surrounded by the city of London.

The fire at the Tower of London was a major disaster, causing extensive damage to the building and its contents. According to historical accounts, the fire broke out in the White Tower, the oldest and most famous part of the castle, and quickly spread to other parts of the structure. Despite the efforts of the firefighters, the fire was not brought under control until the following day. The cause of the fire remains a mystery, but it is believed to have been accidental.

The lithograph captures the dramatic and chaotic scene of the fire as it unfolded, offering a glimpse into a significant moment in the history of the Tower of London.

Detailed Condition:

Tinted lithograph on wove paper. Minor soiling in the margins.