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(1906 San Francisco Earthquake) Panorama of San Francisco from the Ferry Building

Stock#: 92026
Map Maker: Pillsbury Picture Co.
Date: 1906
Place: San Francisco
Color: Uncolored
Condition: Good
Size: 42.5 x 9 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Aftermath of the 1906 San Francisco Earthquake and Fire -- Including Tent Encampments

Rare panoramic view from the Ferry Building, Market Street at the center with southern and northern points along East Street (The Embarcadero), immediately after the San Francisco Earthquake.

The image was taken by Arthur Pillsbury, who had, one month earlier, opened his own studio after working as a photojournalist with the *San Francisco Examiner*. Pillsbury was one of the first photographers to capture the carnage of the 1906 earthquake and fire and most prolific. His images, taken during and in the immediate aftermath of the conflagration, were widely distributed in 1906 to journalists throughout the United States and abroad.

The image shows smoldering remains of San Francisco on a grand panoramic scale, with several tent encampments shown adjacent to the waterfront, directly above the "East St. Looking North" label, stretching north for several blocks among the ruins.

Rarity

The photograph is extremely rare. We locate only the examples in the Library of Congress and Bancroft Library.

This view (#231) would seem not to have survived in the [Pillsbury Foundation Archive](#).

Provenance

From the private collection of Charles A. Fracchia. Fracchia was a noted historian of California and San Francisco, a Fellow of the California Historical Society, the Founder and President Emeritus of the San



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Francisco Museum and Historical Society, and one of the founders of *Rolling Stone* magazine.

Detailed Condition:

Some staining and adhesion damage at right edge, printed a little dark.