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### Brussels

**Stock#:** 94570  
**Map Maker:** Tallis  
**Date:** 1851  
**Place:** London  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 13 x 10 inches  
**Price:** \$ 195.00



#### Description:

John Tallis's 1851 town plan of Brussels is a remarkable representation of the Belgian capital. Published in London, this plan is notable for its striking vignettes that lend a unique charm and aesthetic to the piece.

Tallis's map features prominent landmarks and key areas of Brussels including the Hotel de Ville, Palace Royal, an Avenue in the Park, a View from near Port Anderlecht, and the Church of St. Gudule. These vignettes, presented with an exquisite attention to detail, provide an insightful visual narrative of the city, making this plan not only a practical guide but also a work of art.

Tallis's reputation as one of the last great decorative map makers of his time is evident in this piece. His distinctive style, characterized by the integration of indigenous scenes and people in his designs, makes his works highly sought after. His maps stand out for their unique blend of utility and artistry.

The town plans created by Tallis are rare as they appear in only a small percentage of his works, which predominantly featured regional maps. As a result, this plan of Brussels is a relatively scarce find, further amplifying its desirability among collectors and enthusiasts of cartographic art.

In essence, Tallis's town plan of Brussels serves as an exceptional portrayal of the city in the 19th century, capturing its architectural and cultural landscape while reflecting the distinctive style that sets Tallis's work apart.

#### Detailed Condition:

Trimmed at the top edge, just affecting the printed image. Minor toning at the left and right sides.