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Vue De James-Town (Napoleon in Exile)

Stock#: 39473
Map Maker: Durand-Brager
Date: 1844 circa
Place: Paris
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 18 x 12.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Fine view of Jamestown on the Island of Saint Helena, which appeared in *Sainte-Hélène. Translation du Crecueil du l'Empereur Napoléon a bord de la frégate La Belle-Poule. Histoire et vues pittoresques de tous les sites de l'île se rattachant au mémorial de Saint-Hélène a l'expédition de S.A.R. Mgr. le Prince de Joinville*, published in Paris in 1844.

This rare work includes some of the finest views of St. Helena ever published. Durand-Brager was the official artist sent to record the scenery and scenes surrounding the collection of Napoleon's body from St. Helena by an official French expedition. The text includes eye-witness accounts of the whole affair together with transcriptions of many of the relevant official documents. Only two copies of this work are listed as having sold at auction in the past twenty five years.

The view is based upon original artwork by Jean-Baptiste Henri Durand-Brager, a French marine painter, who studied under Gudin and Eugène Isabey, and in 1840, accompanied the fleet which brought Napoleon's remains from St. Helena, the island which afforded him subjects for various pictures.

Detailed Condition: