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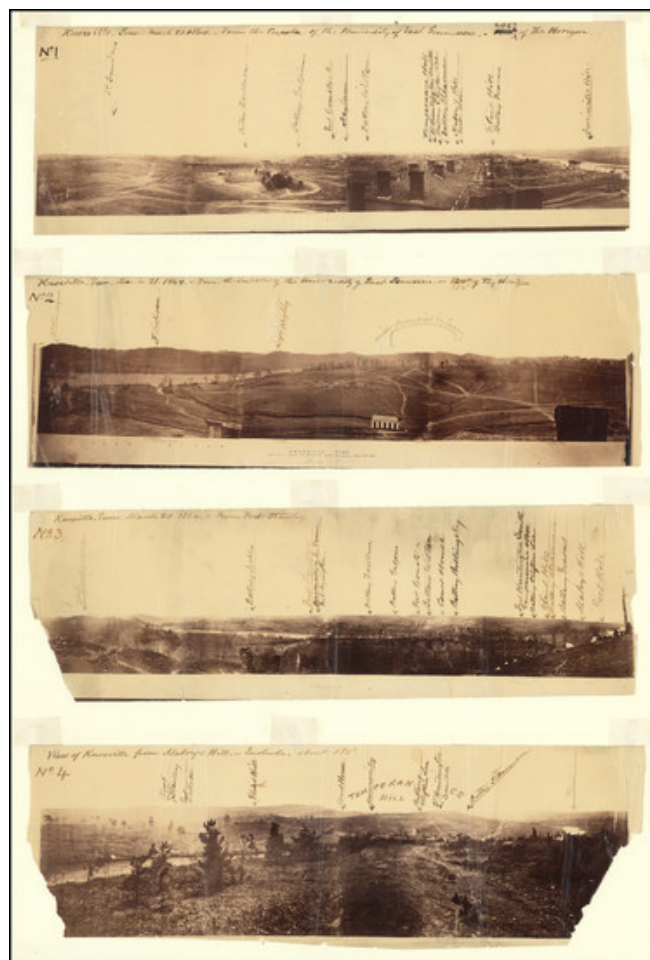
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(Knoxville Civil War photos annotated by General Orlando Poe) Lines of Fire, Knoxville, Tennessee, 20 and 21 March 1864

Stock#: 46152
Map Maker: Anonymous
Date: 1864 (1885 ca)
Place: Knoxville, TN
Color: (See Description)
Condition: See Description
Size: 4 x 14 inches (each photo)
Price: \$ 1,200.00



Description:

Four black and white panoramic photographs of the Knoxville Area.

Annotated (unsigned) by Gen. Orlando Poe, chief engineer of the Army of the Ohio. Poe planned and oversaw construction of Knoxville's fortification and repulsed General Longstreet's assaults in November 1863.

Poe may have prepared these views in the 1880s, while writing his memoir, *Personal Recollections of the Occupation of East Tennessee, and the Defense of Knoxville*.



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On the photos, battery positions are indicated in manuscript on the horizon, identified as taken from the cupola of the University of East Tennessee, from Fort Stanley and from Mabry's Hill.

Orlando Poe

Orlando Metcalfe Poe (1832 -1895) was a United States Army officer and engineer in the American Civil War. After helping General William Tecumseh Sherman's March to the Sea, he was responsible for much of the early lighthouse construction on the Great Lakes and design of the Poe Lock at Soo Locks between lakes Superior and Huron.

During the Civil War, he served as chief engineer of the XXIII Corps and was a key factor in the defense of Knoxville, Tennessee. This city was successfully defended against a siege led by Confederate Lt. Gen. James Longstreet, which culminated in the November 29, 1863, Battle of Fort Sanders. Due to Poe's contributions, Maj. Gen. William T. Sherman selected Poe as his chief engineer in 1864. Poe oversaw the burning of Atlanta, for which action he was honored by Sherman.

Detailed Condition:

4 photos, with annotations on each photo. Wrinkled, with small sections of loss in several corners, as illustrated.