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A Midnight Race on the Mississippi

Stock#: 55868
Map Maker: Rogerson
Date: 1871
Place: Leeds
Color: Color
Condition: VG+
Size: 22 x 15 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Scarce color chromolithograph of a race on the Mississippi River between the *Lincoln* and the *Davies*, published in Leeds by R. Rogerson.

The map notes that it is "From a Sketch By The Captain of the Lincoln," with Chromolithography by Yates & Co. of Old Radford, Notts (Nottingham).

The Lincoln notes that it was a steamship of the Vicksburg, Natchez and New Orleans Mail Line.

The view is drawn from an original by Currier & Ives, showing a race between the *Natchez* and the *Eclipse*.

One can only imagine that the choice of names is somewhat of a joke, given the unlikelihood of the Vicksburg, Natchez and New Orleans Mail Line operating a steamboat named after President Lincoln. More likely, this is a bit of English humor relating to Abraham Lincoln versus Jefferson Davis.

Detailed Condition: