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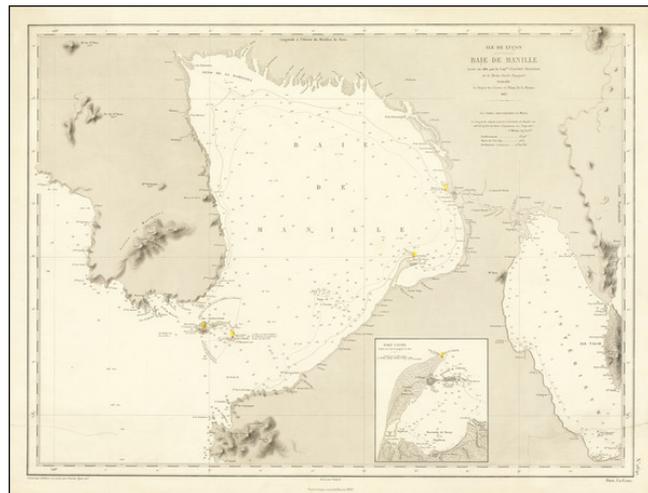
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[Manila] Baie de Manille

Stock#: 68058
Map Maker: Depot de la Marine
Date: 1867 (1869)
Place: Paris
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 24.5 x 18.3 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

This is an attractive navigational chart of Manila Bay, showing a very small city of Manila. The map spans a large area, from Mariveles to Laguna de Bay. An inset map shows Port Cavite and the present-day location of Cavite City in detail. Navigational detail on the map is extensive, showing many soundings, shoals, inlets, lighthouses, banks, and much more. Inland detail is also shown, with cities, elevations, rivers, and more marked.

Manila proper is but a tiny city on this map. The outline of the city takes the form of Intramuros, with its distinctive fortifications easily recognizable. Manila Cathedral is labeled at the north end of the walled city. Several other towns are labeled in the proximity of the city, including Malate, Binondo, and Tondo, which now name the neighborhoods of Manila. Cavite City is nearly as large and important as Manila was, with its own fort. In the present, Cavite Fort has now been replaced by a shipyard, though some parts of old Cavite still do exist.

The Philippines had long been a focus of colonial powers at the time this map was made. France had always been particularly close to the Spanish colony and was the first foreign nation to establish a consul there in 1824. Trade was common between the two nations, with France traders buying goods from elsewhere in Asia which passed through the city and selling high-end goods to Spanish settlers. Trade would only increase with the completion of the Suez Canal in the same year that this map was updated.

As with all Depot de la Marine charts, this map provides a wealth of information while preserving a simple and attractive design. This map was sold separately.



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