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The City of New York.

Stock#: 80749

Map Maker: Currier & Ives

Date: 1876Place: New YorkColor: Hand Colored

Condition: VG

Size: 33.5 x 22 inches

Price: \$ 14,500.00



Description:

The Classic Bird's-Eye View of Manhattan.

A striking antique bird's-eye view of Manhattan, New York Harbor, and environs, published by Currier & Ives in 1876.

This incredible bird's-eye panoramic view shows the busy harbors of New York City from Brooklyn Heights. The skyline of the densely built metropolis is punctuated by church steeples, and the New York Bay is filled with heavy side-wheeler traffic. Castle Garden, now known as Castle Clinton, is depicted at left. The most striking part of the image is the Brooklyn Bridge (here called *East River Bridge*), which is depicted as it was originally planned in 1870. The bridge was not actually completed until 1883. Numerous other locations are identified below the image.

Currier and Ives was a printmaking company based in New York City from 1834-1907, specializing in high-quality, hand-printed and colored stone lithographs. The focus of their work was American life, cities and people, and they often employed celebrated artists of the day to render drawings to be reproduced in print form.

Detailed Condition:

Original hand-color. Lithograph on wove paper. Archivally backed on linen. A few closed tears, one of which is fairly long.