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City of Brooklyn, L.I. Taken from Rush Street

Stock#: 81157
Map Maker: Bornet
Date: 1855
Place: New York
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 23 x 17.5 inches
Price: \$ 6,500.00



Description:

Lower Manhattan, the Brooklyn Naval Yard, DUMBO, and Brooklyn Heights from Williamsburg.

Rare two-stone lithographed view of Brooklyn and lower Manhattan, from the perspective of Williamsburg looking southeast over the Brooklyn Naval Yard.

The view was made by John Bornet, a skilled New York viewmaker, and was published in New York City in 1855. Bornet was both the original artist for the view and the lithographer.

In the foreground is a scene of semi-rural life, indicating the kind of land and buildings that still existed in Brooklyn in the middle of the 19th century. The farmstead-like scene quickly gives way to scenes of industry and commerce. Large warships are depicted in the Naval Yard along with famous buildings.

Rarity

This bird's-eye view is very rare on the market. We trace examples at the New York Public Library, Museum of the City of New York, Yale Art Gallery, and elsewhere.

Detailed Condition:

Expertly repaired tear at top of view, extending to just below the point where skyline meets the horizon. Several other expertly repaired marginal tears.