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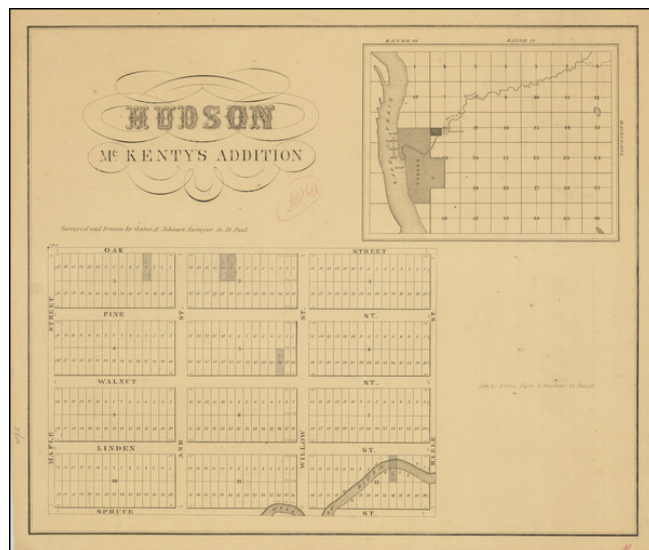
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(Hudson, Wisconsin) Hudson McKenty's Addition

Stock#: 84868
Map Maker: Johnson
Date: 1855 circa
Place: St. Paul
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG+
Size: 20 x 16.5 inches
Price: \$ 1,200.00



Description:

Rare and early separately-issued cadastral plan of McKenty's 1850s addition to Hudson, Wisconsin, the scenic town on the St. Croix River.

The map shows a four-by-three grid of lots laid out on the northeast corner of Hudson.

The plan was surveyed by Gates A. Johnson of St. Paul and lithographed in that city by Holmes, Payte & Buechner. The latter firm were job lithographers specializing in separately-issued Minnesota Territory town plans, with most of their output dated between 1853 and 1859 on WorldCat.

Minnesota Territory map printing was still very much in its infancy in the mid-1850s, and as such, separate plans from this period are extremely rare.

Henry McKenty

The addition is surely named for Henry "Broad Acres" McKenty, an early Minnesota Territory land speculator who arrived in St. Paul in 1851. It has been suggested that McKenty was responsible for giving Lake Como its name, as well as one other regional lake that was at least briefly named "McKenty Lake".

McKenty was ruined by the Panic of 1857, which suggests that the present map dates from before 1858.

Rarity



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Rare. OCLC locates only two institutional holdings (MNHS and [WHS](#)). It should be noted that WHS reports that their copy is photomechanical, whereas the present example is not.

We acquired the map along with three other examples in a deaccession of duplicates from the Minnesota Historical Society.

Detailed Condition:

Pencil manuscript noting the sale of a few lots, as well as early (contemporary?) red ink manuscript signature of "AJ Hill".