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Dartmouth College

Stock#: 87158
Map Maker: Littig & Company / Rummell
Date: 1910 circa
Place: New York
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 28.5 x 16 inches
Price: \$ 895.00



Description:

A fine bird's-eye view of Dartmouth College, drawn by Richard Rummell and printed by Littig & Company, circa 1910.

The map is centered on Dartmouth Green, with the administrative buildings visible at the far end of the map. Bartlett tower can be seen in the distance.

At the turn of the century, Littig & Company commissioned several artists, including the accomplished artist Richard Rummell, to create watercolors of some of the nation's most prestigious colleges. From these watercolors, engravings in photogravure were made on copper plates and distributed in limited numbers to the schools and to a few art dealers throughout the country. Many may still be seen in the administration buildings and deans' offices in the nation's finest schools.

These prints differ widely from other college prints in their panoramic quality: indeed, in many cases, they offer the only panoramic views available today. Each artist visited a campus and conferred with the administration about future buildings authorized for the school. They would then draw these projected buildings into the campus scene, which was projected from an apparent altitude of about 300 feet. In some cases, this gives the viewer the impression that the scene was painted perhaps ten years later. On a few occasions, building plans were subsequently altered, which resulted in an inaccurate depiction of the college.

Detailed Condition:

Sepia-colored photogravure on early 20th-century wove paper. Backed with tissue. Light uneven toning.