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11e. Arrondissement. Vue Prise Au-Dessus du Pont au Change

Stock#: 89116

Map Maker: Chapuy / Avanzo

Date: 1840Place: ParisColor: ColorCondition: Good

Size: 18.5 x 13.5 inches (including

text)

Price: SOLD



Description:

Great and rare lithographed view of Paris showing the Rive Gauche in the vicinity of the Palais and Jardin du Luxembourg.

This print came from a set produced by the Sebastian Avanzo publishing house, lithographed by Jules Arnout, and drawn by Nicolas Chapuy. The set, *Paris et ses Arrondissemens*, shows each of the twelve districts of Paris in magnificent detail, with building-by-building demarcation easily visible and detail extending to individual windows and features. The images produced as part of this project are a remarkable preservation of the nineteenth-century layout of the city and came nearly exactly one hundred years after the previous **great aerial view of the city produced under Michel-Étienne Turgot**.

The magnificent detail shown on the lithograph depicts what is now known as the Sixth Arrondissement, but in 1840 comprised the 10th. Various features are shown including the Odeon Theater, the Montparnasse area, and the banks of the Seine. This view appears to have been drawn from a hot air balloon, given both the perspective and the language used in the title that suggests that the view was "taken from above the Pont au Change."

Detailed Condition:

Three-color stone lithograph. Somewhat sunstruck impression. Soiling and foxing.