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Whitbread's New Crystal Palace Map of London

Stock#: 89403 **Map Maker:** Whitbread

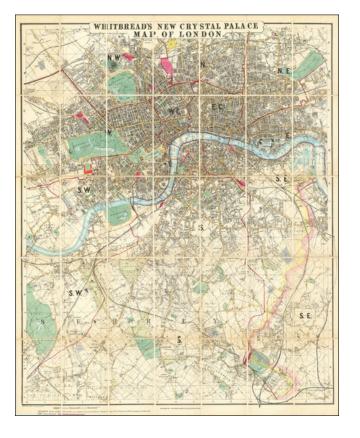
Date: 1859 Place: London

Color: Hand Colored

Condition: VG+

Size: 26.25 x 33 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Extremely Rare Crystal Palace Edition!

Fine London map with a very unusual focus on south London, extending southwards to encompass the neighborhoods of Wimbledon, Streatham, Brixton, Peckham, and, of course, Crystal Palace.

The map shows London in great detail with street-by-street information displayed, different neighborhoods demarcated, parks drawn, wharfs indicated, and much more. Early train lines out of the city are shown. The map is accompanied by a thirty-two-page guide listing streets, cab fares, and train timetables.

The record of Whitbread's cartographic output appears to suggest something of a focus on the Crystal Palace. His earlier maps of London were published with the 1851 Great Exposition in mind, where the Crystal Palace was first built in Hyde Park. In 1854, the palace was moved to Penge Place, where it stood until it burned in 1936. The present map expands Whitbread's earlier map south to this region.



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Rarity

The last example we trace at auction appeared in 2006 as part of a group lot at London that made £2,520.

Detailed Condition:

Original hand-coloring. Segmented in thirty-five pieces and laid on linen with guide and original slipcase.