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(Original watercolor) Saint-Pierre, Martinique

Stock#: 91148
Map Maker: Anonymous
Date: 1820 circa
Place: n.p. (Martinique)
Color: Pen & Ink with Wash Color
Condition: VG
Size: 14.5 x 11.75 inches
Price: \$ 950.00



Description:

Wonderful original watercolor view of Saint-Pierre, Martinique, taken from near the Point de vue de Sainte-Marthe, looking north.

In the bay off the town there is a three-masted square-rigged frigate that appears to have an American flag. Several smaller vessels can be seen underway, anchored, or beached.

The mountains and farmland provide an interesting, aggressive geometric backdrop to the closely grouped buildings of the town and the more open foreground. The composition of the image is unusual and appealing.

Saint-Pierre, Martinique in the first half of the 19th century was a bustling port town, known for its strategic location and thriving trade. The town was also a hub of French colonial culture, and it was home to a diverse population of Europeans, enslaved Africans and free people of color. The town was known for its architecture and art, with many buildings and landmarks dating back to the colonial period.

Detailed Condition:

Watercolor on laid paper mounted on paper. Smudges in the sky, as illustrated.