



Etched view.

FERRIES ACROSS THE THAMES

Whitehall [and] Lambeth

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Physical description

Etched view.

Dimensions

280 by 380mm. (11 by 15 inches). Plate size: 101 by 175mm.

Notes

Published as part of Hollar's series of 'English views', the present view shows Lambeth Palace from the river at Whitehall Stairs. In the foreground the north bank of the Thames is occupied with a range of buildings, some with stairs leading directly down to the water's edge. A two-storied wing at the centre has a slope leading down to a collection of ferry boats, which passengers could use to cross the Thames, as indeed numerous figures are doing in Hollar's view. Unlike the Privy Stairs further up river which led directly through a passage to the quarters of the royal pages and royal

cooks, Whitehall Stairs was a public landing place.

Bibliography

NHG Hollar 451; Pennington 912.

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