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WITH MANY VIEWS OF “SIDNEY”

Map of part of New South Wales: embellished with views in the harbour of Port Jackson dedicated to Captn. P.P. King, R.N. by his obliged humble servant J. Cross.

Author
CROSS, Joseph

Publication date
1825, additions to 1826.

Publisher
Engraved & published by J. Cross, 18 Holborn opposite Furnivals Inn,

Publication place
London,

Physical description
Revised. Double-page engraved map, on 2 joined sheets, with contemporary hand-colour in outline.

Dimensions
792 by 608mm (31.25 by 24 inches).

Notes
From: ‘An account of the state of agriculture & grazing in New South Wales’ (1826) by James Atkinson.

A general map of New South Wales, with insets and views of: ‘The harbour of Port Jackson’, ‘A view

of Sidney[sic] from the two mile stone on the South Head Road', 'North and South Head at the entrance of Port Jackson', 'View of Bottle & Glass Island from the light house on the S. Head', 'Shark Island, Garden Island & Pinchgut Island, as seen from the east shore', 'Bradley's Point from the south shore', 'Rose Bay', 'Bradley's Point & Pinchgut Island taken from Steel Point on the east shore', 'Dawes's Point & Balls Head', 'View of Sidney from Bradley Point', 'View of the Government House', 'General view of Sidney', and one of all of Australia.

Preceded by a separately published edition with a slightly different title, the previous year, in which the views are credited to early Australian natural historian and artist, John William Lewin (1770-1819).

The mapmaker
Joseph Cross, bookseller, publisher, copperplate printer and engraver had a shop at 18 Holborn "opposite Furnival's Inn" from about 1823 when he engraved 'A new map of the county of Monmouth'. Joseph Cross appears to have been joined in business by his son from between 1847 and 1854, when their imprint changed to "J. Cross & Son". Cross clearly had a keen interest in emigration to the Australian colonies, having published several works related, including: Atkinson's 'An Account of the State of Agriculture and Grazing in New South Wales' (1826); 'Chart of Van Dieman's Land' (1826); 'Chart of Part of New South Wales…' (1827 – 1829); Wakefield's 'A Letter from Sydney, the Principal Town of Australasia. Edited by Robert Gouger. Together with the Outline of a System of Colonization' (1829); Busby's 'Authentic Information Relating to New South Wales, and New Zealand' (1832); but most famously, "the earliest work relating to the inland exploration of Western Australia" (Wantrup): 'Journals of Several Expeditions Made in Western Australia During the Years 1829, 1830, 1831 and 1832: Under the Sanction of the Governor, Sir James Stirling' (1833), which includes his subsequent map of Western Australia.

Additionally, Cross published: 'Cross's New Plan of London, with improvements to 1840'; 'Cross's London Guide' (1837); and 'Cross's Miniature London' (1846).

Joseph Cross II, "bachelor", is recorded as having died on 19 November, 1865 at the age of forty-four, and his estate was left to his mother, Jane Cross.

Bibliography
Literature: Clancy, 'The Mapping of Terra Australis', 9.37, later edition; Tooley, 'The Mapping of Australia', 357, later edition.

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