Basic Detail Report



Colonies Françaises (en Amérique) (The French Colonies in America), from Atlas National Illustrè (Illustrated National Atlas)

Date

c. 1856

Primary Maker

Victor Levasseur

Medium

Engraving with hand coloring

Description

Map depicting the archipelago of Guadeloupe, known as Karukera by the local population. On the left, a man stands beside a crate of sugar, a yellow barrel of coffee, and a crate of girofle. A cartouche depicts two slaves standing with spades in front of a windmill. Portraits of Lethière and Coupenon embellish the cartouche frame. On the right, there is cotton, rubber, and cacao. An enslaved man holding a spade stands behind a colonizer. The cartouche depicts a natural disaster scene with damaged infrastructure and loss of human life.

Dimensions

Composition: 10 $3/8 \times 16 1/8$ in. (26.4 × 41 cm) Sheet: 14 $1/4 \times 20 3/4$ in. (36.2 × 52.7 cm)