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19th century view of Lahore

CARPENTER, William.

The Mosque of Wuzeer Alee Khan, Lahore, after W. Carpenter Jun.

London, May 22nd 1858. Chromolithograph. 240 x 330mm.

£190

A detailed view of the Mosque with many figures and animals in the foreground. It was issued as a supplement issued to subscribers to "The Illustrated London News", a weekly newspaper first published in 1842 and closed in 2003. William Carpenter (1818-99) spent several years travelling around India in the 1850s painting scenes and portraits. He left India for England and sold reproduction rights to his paintings to the Illustrated London News, which published them as India descended into the chaos of the Mutiny of 1857. When Carpenter had a one-man exhibition of 275 paintings in 1881 all of the paintings were purchased by the new Victoria and Albert Museum.

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