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The death of Captain James Cook

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Mort Tragique du Capitaine Cook. le 15 Février, 1779. Sur la côte d'Owhy-hée l'une des Isles Sandwich, découverte par ce Navigateur...

Paris: Isabey, 1784. 295 x 340mm, with wide margins.

£1,100

One of the most famous depictions of the death of Captain James Cook in Hawaii, painted by the official artist of his third voyage. Like the painting of James Cleveley, it shows the explorer with one hand raised in an attempt to stop his men firing on the Hawaiians, his back to his killer. This French edition was engraved by Claude-Mathieu Fessard.

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