

The Parthenon from Phalerum Bay, Athens

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Description

Harry John Johnson (1826-1884)
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Signed lower left and dated 1861 and inscribed lower right: PARTHENON FROM PHALERUM BAY. 1861, further inscribed on part of old mount: The Acropolis & Pentelios from Phalerum Bay -/seen across the Marsh - with the Parthenon rising/behind the Hill of the Museum
Watercolour heightened with touches of bodycolour and scratching out
27.4 by 51.5 cm., 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ by 20 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.

Johnson was born in Birmingham and was taught by William James Müller on his arrival in London, In 1843 he accompanied Müller on a four month trip to Lycia (now Turkey). He also visited North Wales with David Cox in 1844. He travelled extensively in Europe and appears to have visited Greece in the late 1850s and subsequently exhibited a number of views of Athens.