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Louis-françois Cassas - An Ancient Fountain Outside The Village Of Cana, In Galilee

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Signature : Louis-François Cassas (1756-1827)

Period : 18th century

Condition : Très bon état

Width : 18

Height : 12

Description

LOUIS-FRANÇOIS CASSAS (1756-1827) AN
ANCIENT FOUNTAIN OUTSIDE THE
VILLAGE OF CANA, GALILEE Signed &
indistinctly dated l.r. Pen & ink with wash 12 x 18
cm LITERATURE: Engraved by F.N.B.

Dequevauviller for Voyage pittoresque de la
Syrie, de la Phoenicie, de la Palaestine..., vol. 3
(Paris, 1798), ch.III, 2ème planche The French
painter and architect Louis-François Cassas
(1756-1827) was a member of the retinue of the
French ambassador to the Ottoman court, Count
Marie Gabriel August de Choiseul-Gouffier.
Commissioned by the ambassador, he travelled
from 1784 to 1787 to Egypt, Syria, Lebanon,
Palestine, Cyprus, and Asia Minor and drew
ancient sites, many of which had never before
been recorded. An earlier commission in 1782

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was for a series of views of the Istrian and Dalmatian coast. These drawings were reproduced in engraving in his book *Voyage pittoresque et historique de l'Istrie et de la Dalmatie* (Paris, 1802). Cassas returned to Paris in 1792. After the Revolution he became drawing professor at the Gobelins Tapestry Manufactory, where he remained until his death.