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DREADFUL HOT WEATHER

James Gillray, 1808.

A framed and mounted, hand coloured engraving by the Georgian satirist James Gilray in which a corpulent city merchant pauses on the highway next to a milestone on which he has placed his hat and gold tipped walking stick. His waistcoat unbuttoned and holding his horsehair wig in his left hand he pauses to mop his brow all while being stung by insects beneath a burning sun. Though set in fields and near a windmill, the person of the merchant and the milestone likely indicate he is visiting a coutry tavern a short walk from London

DIMENSIONS: 41cm ($16^{\frac{1}{4}}$ ") High, 34.8cm ($13^{\frac{3}{4}}$ ") Wide, 1.5cm ($0^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ") Deep

PRICE: £400

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HISTORY

This is one of seven coloured plates by the caricaturist and printmaker and James Gillray, published together by his patron and benefactor Mrs Hannah Humphrey on February 10, 1808. The set includes *Delicious Weather, Dreadful-Hot-Weather, Fine Bracing Weather, Raw Weather, Sad Sloppy Weather, Windy Weather* and *Very Slippy-Weather*.