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(Texas and California) The Whig Almanac and United States Register for 1843 [bound with:] The Whig Almanac and Politicians' Register for 1845 [bound with:] The Whig Almanac, and Politicians' Register for 1846 [with maps of Texas and Oregon] [bound with:] The Whig Almanac: 1847.

Stock#: 87041
Map Maker: Greeley & McElrath
Date: 1843 - 1846
Place: New York
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 5 x 7.5 inches
Price: \$ 850.00



Description:

With Maps of Texas and Oregon

A contemporary bound volume containing four issues of the *Whig Almanac*, for the years 1843, 1845, 1845 and 1846.

The almanac for 1846 has two woodblock maps, including one of Texas (page 44) in a much exaggerated form, with a distorted-looking stovepipe boundary, and extending west to the Rio Bravo to include Santa Fe. For such a small map there is quite good detail as it locates major rivers and most of the towns: Houston, Nacogdoches, Austin, Mier, and San Antonio. The map also depicts Indian Territory and part of Missouri Territory. The text of a "Joint Resolution for Annexing Texas to the United States" is included on pages 55-56, following a general historical discussion on the boundaries of the United States.

The map of Oregon (page 28) accompanies a text on the Oregon question ("Oregon. Our Rightful North - Western Boundary") and shows the territory extending from the Continental Divide and north to include part of present-day British Columbia. Mountain ranges are indicated as are the Columbia, Spokane, Lewis, and Clarke's Rivers. The forts of Alexandria, Colville, Vancouver, Langley, Fraser and George, and the early town of Astoria are located. The area shown extends to show Queen Charlottes Sound in the north and the northern reaches of Mexico in Upper California. The 25-page text deals, in part, with these two boundary issues as well as the annexing of Texas.

The *Whig Almanac* for 1847 includes further articles on Oregon and Texas and Mexico. There is also a section on the War With Mexico (pages 29-37).



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The 1843 almanac includes a lengthy campaign biography of Henry Clay, who was the Whig candidate in the 1844 presidential election.

The rest of volume contains the usual information on a range of topics, including governmental and election statistics for the country, the U.S. Constitution, Washington's Farewell Address, alphabetical schedule of tariff duties, and the like.

Detailed Condition:

12mo. Contemporary cloth-backed boards. Four volumes in one. 64; 64; 64; 64 pages. Pictorial titlepage for 1843 almanac with portrait of Henry Clay. Two full page woodcut maps, measuring 4" x 6.4". Scattered foxing. Front free endpaper detached but present. Overall condition is very good. Early pencil ownership name of Cephas Longfellow (1801-1895) on front pastedown.