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Map of the State of California. Compiled and Published By Punnett Bros. . . . 1897 (Coffee Creek Gold District - Trinity Klondike)

Stock#: 98044

Map Maker: Punnett Brothers

Date: 1897

Place: San Francisco

Color: Color **Condition:** Good

Size: 26×30 inches

Price: \$ 1,400.00



Description:

Highlighting the Coffee Creek Gold District in Trinity County.

Rare seperately issued map of California, published by Punnett Bros in San Francisco.

Fine large format map of California, with inset maps of Yosemite Valley and the San Joaquin Valley.

The map is exceptionally detailed, illustrating existing and proposed railroads, wagon roads and land grants.

The newly formed Orange County and Riverside County are shown.

A unique feature of the map is the area marked with a circle at the top of the map, referencing Trinity Klondike Coffee Creek Gold District. This is a reference to the short lived Trinity County Gold Rush, much of which centered on Coffee Creek. While there is very little surviving information, there are several mentions of the Trinity Klondike venture on Coffee Creek, including the following article which appeared in the August 20, 1897 *Sacramento Daily Union*.



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THE RUSH TO TRINITY COUNTY.

Miners Going to the New Gold Fields by Hundreds. Graves Brothers Sure They Will Strike More Big Paying Leads. A San Francisco Capitalist Looking Out to Invest in Good Properties—Not All the Prospectors Going to Coffee Creek—Other Localities Which Are Expected to Turn Out Equally as Rich.

REDDING, Aug. 19.—Over 100 prospectors arrived last night and this morning and a dozen rigs left the city today for the diggings. Fortunately, there are plenty of horses here and everything prospectors require. The Graves brothers arrived today from San Francisco. They will follow up their rich seams in the hopes of striking the spot where the two seams center, when they are almost sure to get big pay.

Behrend Joost, capitalist of San Francisco, is here with \$2,000,000 backing. He has his eye on a rich gravel property on Trinity River. It is reported on the quiet that he will buy the Bloss and McCrary gravel mine and contiguous gravel lands.

The railroad companies estimate that Over 7,000 people will arrive in the next two weeks. Certainly there is no abatemeat of interest. . . .

Authentic reports direct from the source of excitement state that prospectors are lining the tributary gulches of Coffee Creek, and although no strikes of great importance are reported from the immediate vicinity of the famous Graves mine, at Morrison Gulch, except the Truax and Dillon find, there have been some good discoveries made above that place. The prospectors are nearly all headed for Hickory Gulch. It is said that Burgess and Murphy are taking out about \$200 per day, and have already removed a small yeast powder can full of gold, or \$800. . .

... E. T. Casey, who laid out the townsite of Randsburg last year, passed through here, confident that a similar venture can be successfully promoted in the vicinity of the **Trinity Klondike...**

Rarity

The map is very rare. We note only the David Rumsey copy, which does not include the reference to the Coffee Creek Gold District. We previously offered another example for sale in 2018.



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Detailed Condition:

Small wall map mounted on original linen. Color-printed. Dampstaining. Some wear and flaking, as illustrated. Withal, an essentially complete example of this rare map.