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A New Map of Texas, Oregon and California with the Regions adjoining Compiled from the most recent authorities...1846 [Wall Map edition!]

Stock#: 0575 Map Maker: Mitchell

Date: 1846

Place: Philadephia Color: Hand Colored

Condition: VG

Size: $20 \times 20 \text{ inches}$

Price: SOLD



Description:

Rare separately issued wall map edition of Mitchell's seminal map of Texas and the West.

This region was of particular interest in 1846 because of two recent and related events. In 1845, Texas had been admitted to the Union, which prompted Mexico, in 1846, to invade Texas, thus precipitating the U.S.-Mexican war. General curiosity about the new state and interest in the war led to Mitchell's timely map becoming quite popular. As stated in the "Accompaniment to Mitchell's new map of Texas, Oregon and California...," in which the map was issued, Mitchell used the latest and best sources for the map, including Arrowsmith's 1841 map of Texas, Fremont's and Emory's maps of their explorations in the region, data from the Lewis & Clark expedition, Nicollet's map of the region between the Mississippi and the Missouri, and Wilkes map of Oregon. The map shows Texas claims to the Upper Rio Grande in present day New Mexico. These claims were eventually given up as part of the Great Compromise of 1850, in exchange for the return of federal assumption of Texas' public debt. Besides its cartographic interest, the accompanying booklet contains a comprehensive description of the territories in the west. This is a striking map of seminal significance to the history of the United States and its mapping.

The first separately issued wall map example we have ever seen.



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