

# **Barry Lawrence Ruderman Antique Maps Inc.**

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### The United States of America 1854.

**Stock#:** 47140 **Map Maker:** Colton

Date: 1854
Place: New York
Color: Hand Colored

**Condition:** VG

**Size:** 27 x 16 inches

**Price:** SOLD



## **Description:**

#### **Fascinating Mid-Continent Territorial Borders**

Scarce Colton's map of the United States, exhibiting a fascinating set of Territorial Borders, published in the year that Nebraska first became a Territory of the United States.

]The map provides one of the most extraordinary and ephemeral depictions of the Transmississippi West. Oregon and Washington run from the Pacific to the Rocky Mountains and Utah and New Mexico are still in their large territorial configurations. What makes this map virtually unique is the treatment of the Territories of the Plains. A massive Northwest Territory extends from Canada to the Rocky Mountains and Minnesota Territory, separated by the Missouri River.

Nebraska and Indian Territory form an odd elaborate pair, covering much of modern Wyoming, Colorado, Nebraska, Kansas and Indian Territory. The map notes a number of early explorer's routes and proposed rail lines. The Routes of Marcy, Fremont, and Kearney are clearly defined as are the early proposed raiload routes to the West and along the West Coast. Nice detrail in California, with more place names than normally appear and along the Rocky Mountains.

Only the third example we have handled (as of July 2016).

## **Detailed Condition:**