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A New Map of Mexico and Adjacent Provinces Compiled from Original Documents. By A Arrowsmith. 1810. [Northwestern Sheet]

Stock#: 50865
Map Maker: Arrowsmith
Date: 1810
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 31 x 25.5 inches
Price: Not Available



Description:

Nice example of the Northwestern sheet from Arrowsmith's seminal map of Mexico, covering California, Nevada, Arizona, Utah, New Mexico and parts of Colorado, Baja California and Sonora.

The map includes Lake Timpanogos in Utah (Salt Lake), partial depictions of the rivers flowing east from San Francisco and Monterey, and the tracks of Vancouver's voyage in 1792.

The California Missions are noted, with the rivers flowing westward from the Rocky Mountains well-illustrated for the period.

Arrowsmith's map was the first to report the discoveries of Pike and Humboldt, having been issued prior to the official accounts of these two explorers. While the map draws from the work of Humboldt extensively (and Humboldt accused Arrowsmith of plagiarism), the map shows substantial improvements over the Humboldt map in several areas. Arrowsmith drew on Vancouver's charts for his treatment of the California Coastline, Pike's accounts for the mapping of Texas and the Brazos and Guadalupe River regions and other rivers explored by Pike, and Humboldt's treatment of the Rocky Mountain regions and the Gulf Coast.

Arrowsmith's map of Mexico has widely gained acceptance as the most influential of all regional maps from this time period, a landmark in the Cartographic History of Texas and the Southwest, and a cornerstone map in American Cartographic History.



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