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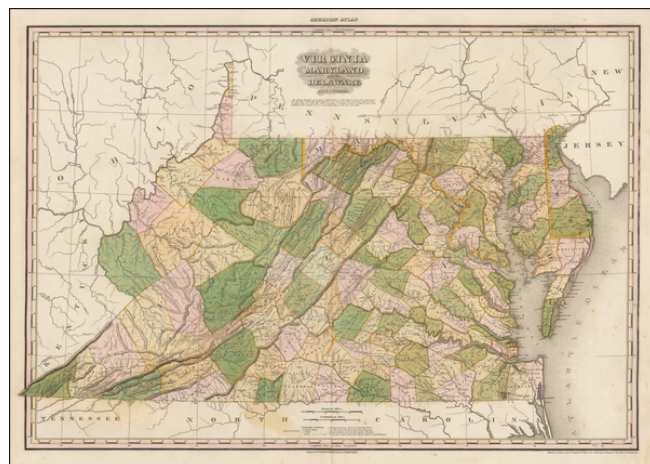
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## Virginia Maryland & Delaware. By H.S. Tanner

**Stock#:** 50905  
**Map Maker:** Tanner  
**Date:** 1820  
**Place:** Philadelphia  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 29 x 21 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

Gorgeous example of the first edition of Tanner's Map of Virginia, Maryland and Delaware, from Tanner's monumental *American Atlas*, without question the finest of all 19th Century American commercial atlases.

The map is hand colored by counties and includes towns, roads, rivers, mountains and mileage between major towns along the primary roads.

The issuance of this atlas represented a landmark in American cartographic publishing history, marking the first time a large format American published atlas employed the engraving quality of its European competitors. Tanner conceived the atlas as the first large format systematic mapping of the US and began the project with a prospectus issued in 1818 and thereafter began issuing the maps in subscription format in folio groups beginning in 1819. The completed atlas in bound form was issued for the first time in 1823, and is perhaps the most sought after of all American atlases.

Separate maps from this atlas are scarce on the market.

### Detailed Condition: