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Johnson's California, Territories of New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado, Nevada and Utah

Stock#: 51115

Map Maker: Ward & Johnson

Date: 1863
Place: New York
Color: Hand Colored

Condition: VG

Size: 24 x 17 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Interesting map of California and the Southwest hand colored by counties and showing a number of interesting territorial anomalies.

Nevada has its lower corner truncated, leaving Las Vegas in Arizona. Utah extends approximately 1 degree too far to the west, prior to the last set of reductions undertaken by the US Government. Several counties still extend into both Arizona and New Mexico. In each of the states and territories, the county configurations are still largely incomplete.

This is one of the most detailed accurate commercial maps of the era. It includes explorers routes, the major routes of commerces, towns, forts, Indian Tribes, mountains, rivers, roads, mining districts, proposed railroad routes, important dates in the evolution of the US-Mexico Boundary, etc. Johnson's map of the West is one of the most interesting and collectable maps of the period. The maps were updated annually or more often, showing profound territorial boundary changes and county formations from year to year and even within a single year. A comprehensive collection of maps of the American West is incomplete without a good run of these maps.

Detailed Condition:

Centerfold repair. Some foxing.