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Nord America mit Westindien (Names Deseret!)

Stock#: 53315
Map Maker: Kiepert
Date: 1850
Place: Weimar
Color: Outline Color
Condition: VG
Size: 23 x 19.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

A Rare Depiction of Deseret, Extending to its Port Cities of Los Angeles and San Diego

Detailed map of North America, including the Mormon State of Deseret, clearly demarcated to include the Southern California coastline, just as advocated by Brigham Young and the Church of Latter Day Saints.

Kiepert's map depicts California immediately after the discovery of Gold in 1849, with a large region separately depicted as Utah oder Deseret Territory. Other oversized Territories include Oregon Territory, Nebraska Territory, New Mexico Territory, Minnesota Territory, Indian Territory and the newly minted State of Texas.

Brigham Young's State of Deseret

The provisional State of Deseret was founded in 1849 by Latter-Day Saint settlers in the Salt Lake city area. Brigham Young sent John Milton Bernhisel to Washington, D.C., to petition for territorial status, but



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later, in March 1849, elected to change the petition to a request for Statehood. The proposed state covered most of the lands from the Rocky Mountains and Oregon Territory to Mexico, extending west to the Sierra Nevadas and south to the Santa Monica Mountains, including Los Angeles and San Diego. While the provisional government met for several years, Utah Territory was formally created in 1851.

The present map is one of only a few maps of which we are aware to include the name Deseret in 1850 (the other being a German map by Joseph Meyer and the Disturnell map of Mexico). More importantly, it is the only map of which we are aware to clearly delineate Deseret which incorporates the Southern California coastline, as proposed by Brigham Young.

Detailed Condition: