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Colton's New Illustrated Map of the World On Mercator's Projection . . . 1852

Stock#: 70154
Map Maker: Colton
Date: 1852
Place: New York
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: Good
Size: 42 x 31 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Scarce world map on Mercator's Projection with the Americas at the center, published in New York by J.H. Colton in 1852.

The map is centered on the Americas and highlights the known world, including the routes of major 18th-century explorers (including Cook and Vancouver) and the recent explorations of Charles Wilkes and the United States Exploring Expedition.

A large scrollwork border surrounds the map and is interspersed with eight views of cities from around the world. They are Havana, Cuba; Alexandria, Egypt; Constantinople, Bordeaux; Venice; Hong Kong; Rio Janeiro and King Po.

On the sides are four views of important vertical structures in the world including the Porcelain Tower, Nankin, and the ruins of Karnac. A table of distances in Greenland's blank interior.

Antarctica is one of the more interesting features of the map, as it was scarcely known at the time. A large chunk of the continent is shown south of Australia, having been explored by Wilkes, and south of Cape Horn "Graham's Land, 1832" is shown.

In the United States, there is a large Nebraska Territory, along with a large Minnesota, Oregon, Utah, New Mexico, etc.

A fine decorative wall map of the world.



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Detailed Condition:

Varnish removed. Backed on new linen with selvage. Hand-color refreshed. Repaired cracks and minor staining.