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Colton's Railroad and Military Map of the United States Mexico, West Indies &c. By. J.H. Colton, New York. 1865

Stock#: 0626 **Map Maker:** Colton

Date: 1865
Place: New York
Color: Hand Colored

Condition: VG

Size: 43×32 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Rare Colton Case Map of the United States, dissected in 28 panels and laid on original linen, folding to 7×5 inches.

The map is hand colored by states, with 9 inset maps, showing the Washington, Manassas Junction, Harpers's Ferry, Baltimore and Annapolis area; a map of Charleston, Port Royal and Savannah Vicinities; Norfolk, Fortredss Monroe, James River, Richmond and Petersburgh area; Beaufort NC and Vicinity; Wilminton NC and Vicinity; Key West and Tortugas; Mobile Harbor; New Orleans and the Delta; and a map showing the Americas, Africa and Europe, highlighting the crossing routes of the Atlantic. The map is based upon earlier maps by Colton of the same size, which were issued as early as 1859.

The 1860-1862 examples are colored to show the free, slave and border states. The Library of Congress illustrates such and example in its digital collection. This 1865 edition is the earliest we have seen to be colored by state. It shows an oddly configured Idaho, the newly formed Territory of Montana, and a curiously shaped Dakota, which includes all of what would become Wyoming Territory in the following year. Nevada is truncated at the bottom, such that Las Vegas is in Arizona. The borders of Utah Territory in the West are approximately 1 degree farther west than its final configuration. A bit of splitting to the linen, else a nice example.

Detailed Condition: