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### Map of Santa Barbara County Showing Official Surveys of Ranchos and General Topography of the County. Compiled by W.H. Norway, County Surveyor . . .

**Stock#:** 17427  
**Map Maker:** Britton & Rey  
**Date:** 1869 circa  
**Place:** San Francisco  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 33 x 24 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



#### Description:

One of only a few surviving examples of William H. Norway's Official Surveys of the Ranchos of Santa Barbara (and Ventura) Counties, performed shortly after he became the County Surveyor.

Early Southern California County maps are extremely rare, as are maps showing California Ranchos, making this map doubly interesting.

Norway was born in New York and was the first elected Surveyor of Bourbon County, Kansas. He came to Sespe Rancho in 1861 and quickly became a local leader. By 1867, he was performing important surveying work, including the subdivision of Santa Paula y Saticoy Ranco for George Briggs in 1867. Norway also performed the second official survey of the City of Santa Barbara. By 1875, he was a Deputy Surveyor working on the Wheeler Surveys and was part of the first team to ascend Mount San Gabriel.

An exceptional piece of early California history.

#### Detailed Condition:

Wall map with rods attached. Minor repairs and cracking, but overall an exceptional copy.