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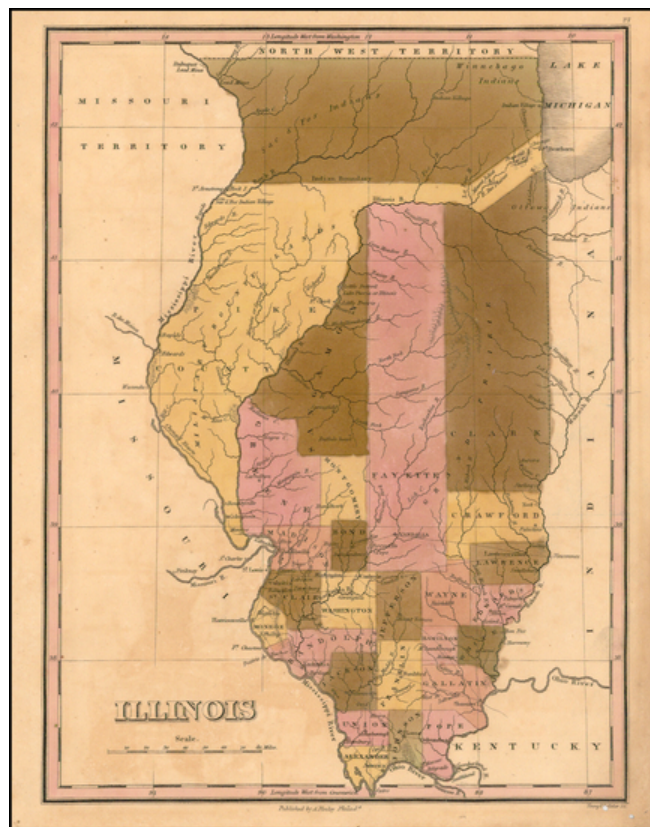
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Illinois

Stock#: 19457
Map Maker: Finley
Date: 1823
Place: Philadelphia
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 11.5 x 9 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Nice old color example of this first state of Finley's map of Illinois, hand colored by counties, with much of the Northern Lands still dominated by Indians.

Massive Pike County extends from Chicago nearly to St. Louis. Other massive counties include Clark, Fayette, Sangamon and Greene, plus an unnamed county in the north, which is Sac and Fox Indian lands. A few early roads, and settlements in the otherwise primitive north, plus Indian Villages along Lake Michigan and the Mississippi. One of the best and earliest obtainable maps of Illinois, during a period of rapid settlement and expansion.

Anthony Finley was the dominant map maker in the United States from the early 1820s through 1831. His Atlas was a huge success, far outselling rival atlases by Carey & Lea and Tanner. Its elegant engraving style, high quality paper and topographical detail made it the best regularly published atlas, with maps corrected and updated as often as yearly during the run.



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