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Cram's New County and Railroad Map of California. Showing Latest Government Surveys &c. &c. . . . 1879

Stock#: 20093 **Map Maker:** Cram

Date: 1879
Place: Chicago
Color: Hand Colored

Condition: VG

Size: 29 x 21 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Rare early separately published railroad map of California, published by George Cram in Chicago.

Cram's 1879 Railroad Map of California is the third in a serie of variants following the 1875 *Cram's Rail Road and Township Map of California*. In 1876, Cram seems to have issued an oversized set of his Western Railroad maps in pocket map format and also bound up a set of the maps in an unusual oversized atlas of wall maps. This 1879 edition has been significantly updated with additional railroad lines, most noteably in Southern California. Whereas in 1876, Cram showed only a line from Los Angeles to the Harbor at San Pedro, this 1879 edition shows a number of lines traversing Southern California, including one extending from Los Angeles toward the Yuma area and a second line to San Diego, along with 3 local lines in Los Angeles County.



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Cram's large format map of California includes state surveys, railroads, towns, mountains, lakes, rivers, mines, roads and a host of other details. The map includes a detailed treatment of the nascent railroad system within California and is one of the most detailed and accurate large format maps of the period.

Detailed Condition: