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**United States of Nth America -- Carte des Etats-Unis De L'Amerique Septentrionale  
Copiee et Gravee sure celle D'Arrowsmith . . . 1812 [Eastern 2 Sheets only -- Includes  
Plan of Washington DC]**

**Stock#:** 23147  
**Map Maker:** Tardieu  
  
**Date:** 1812  
**Place:** Paris  
**Color:** Uncolored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 27 x 23.5 inches  
  
**Price:** SOLD



**Description:**

Nice example of the Eastern part of Tardieu's wall map of the United States, based on Arrowsmith's 4-sheet map. The southeast sheet also includes a fine large format plan of Washington DC, copied from the Ellicott Plan.

Tardieu's map of the United States is one of the rarest and most interesting large format maps of the period. The map is based upon the true first state of Arrowsmith's 4-sheet map of the United States. The map is completely re-engraved by Tardieu and reflects the finer engraving skills of this Paris engraver. In addition to the decorative cartouche present in Arrowsmith's map, Tardieu has added a plan of Washington DC, based upon Ellicott's plan.

Arrowsmith's map of the US is a landmark of American Cartography prior to Lewis & Clark and probably the most famous and widely disseminated large format map of the recently independent United States published after the American Revolution. The inclusion of the Ellicott plan of Washington DC on Tardieu's map makes the map also one of the earliest large format examples of the Ellicott Plan published outside of the United States.

This example is also of great interest for the advertising that appears in the lower margin of the lower sheet. The margin note includes printed information noting that the map was then being offered for sale



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by Charles Picquet in London, Treuttel et Wurtz in Strasbourg and Paris and J Goujon in Paris. This annotation reflects a very early appearance of the Paris map seller and publisher J. Goujon, prior to his association with the Andriveau family, an association with would last for almost the entire 19th Century and produce some of the most interesting large format maps published in France, under the business name of Andriveau-Goujon.

**Detailed Condition:**

Minor soiling, most notably in the top left corner of the upper sheet.