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Set of 4 Case Maps (Colombia; Peru & Bolivia; La Platea, The Banda Oriental Del Uruguay and Chile; and Brazil) (Admiral Sir. E.G. Fanshawe Copy in custom case)

Stock#: 24897
Map Maker: Arrowsmith
Date: 1842
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 24 x 19 inches
Price: \$1,400.00



Description:

Fine set of 4 dissected maps of South American regions, in a custom slip case, formerly owned by Admiral Sir Edwin Gennys Fanshawe of the British Admiralty.

E.G. Fanshawe is perhaps best remembered for a series of over 100 watercolors in the collection of the National Maritime Museum, covering his service in the Pacific from 1849-52, in the Baltic during the Crimean War, and in the Mediterranean. The works by Fanshawe depict and are from his investigative diplomatic voyage during which he visited Pitcairn, where he met the last survivor of the Bounty mutineers, Susan Young, and heard first hand the account of how she killed the last Tahitian crew member with an axe during the island's conflict; Fiji, where he drew what are possibly the earliest portraits of Seru Thakombau, founder of the modern state of Fiji; and Samoa, where his drawings of women show the enduring influence of English fashions on their Sunday-best costume.

Fanshawe (1814-1906) was born at Stoke, Devonport, the son of General Sir Eward Fanshawe (1783-1858) and grandson of Robert Fanshawe. Fanshawe entered the Royal Navy in 1828, and was promoted to Captain in 1835. He was a typical successful Victorian naval officer. From a naval and military family, and prosperously well connected, he was one of a talented year at the Royal Naval Academy at Portsmouth. Thereafter he was almost continuously employed in a series of active, world-wide appointments, of which that in the Pacific brought him considerable extra income from official 'freight'



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His highest sea command was as Commander-in-Chief, North America and the West Indies (1870-73), and his other significant posts included Dockyard superintendent at Chatham (1861) and Malta (1868-70), 3rd Naval Lord at the Admiralty (1865- 66), Admiral President of the Royal Naval College, Greenwich (1875-78, in succession to his friend and Baltic colleague Sir Astley Cooper-Key), and finally Commander-in-Chief at Portsmouth (1878-79). From November 1879, he also enjoyed an active retirement, his last years only marred by the death of his wife in 1900 and growing infirmity.

The maps may have been used by Fanshawe during his time on the Daphne (1848-1852), which coasted in North, Central and South America during the expedition. This was his only Command in the Americas until his appointment of Commander in Chief, North America and West Indies, in 1870.

Detailed Condition:

4 maps, each dissected and laid on linen and housed in a custom leather over wood slip case, with E.G. Fanshawe's name.