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Fresno, Cal. 1891. Bird's-Eye View of Fresno, Fresno County, California. The center of the Raisin industries of the United States.

Stock#: 25362

Map Maker: Elliott Publishing Company

Date: 1891

Place: San Francisco

Color: Color **Condition:** VG

Size: 36×24 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Unrecorded birdseye view of Fresno, California, with 25 vignettes of the major buildings and Vineyards in the County, lithographed by Elliott in San Francisco.

The view includes a key noting 56 points of interest. A number of Street names are shown ithin the map, as well as th Southern Pacific Railroad line and a marvelous panorama of the town, surrounding agricultural lands and the Sierra Nevada mountains in the distance.

The map was apparently published as a supplement to the Fresno Daily Republican and Fresno Weekly Republican of January 1, 1891

Perhaps the most unique feature of the map is the printed color. This is the first 19th Century 4-color birdseye view of a California city that we have ever seen.

The view is of the utmost rarity. The example purchased here was acquired at a sale of the property of the Fresno Metropolitan Museum of Art in July 2010 (at which time it was mounted to a stiff board). We presume that it is a duplicate copy from the Museum, be we were not able to locate another example in Reps, OCLC or any on-line database.

Detailed Condition:

Printed on very thin paper.