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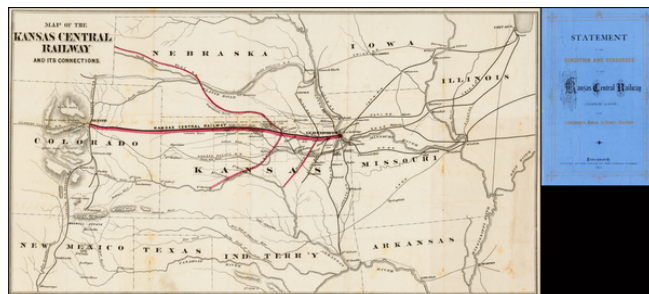
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Map of the Kansas Central Railway and its Connections (with Statement of the Condition and Resources of the Kansas Central Railway (Narrow Gage) From Leavenworth Kansas to Denver, Colorado

Stock#: 28441
Map Maker: Kansas Central Railway
Date: 1871
Place: Leavenworth, Kansas
Color: Outline Color
Condition: VG+
Size: 23 x 12.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Fine example of this important early Kansas imprint printed at the Office of the *Kansas Farmer*, reflecting the creation of the rail line.

The line was founded by Leonard T. Smith and Lucien Scott, in order to construct the only narrow gauge railroad in Kansas at the time, from Leavenworth to the Colorado border. At the time popular opinion suggested narrow gauge lines were more economical to construct than standard gauge lines. Economic and construction difficulties resulted in only 169 miles of track being laid by 1882. The Kansas Central Railway was subsequently bought out by the Union Pacific Railroad, the narrow gauge tracks replaced with standard gauge and the line incorporated into the UPRR system.

Eberstadt notes that "The map is of exceptional interest."

Detailed Condition:

19 page 8vo. pamphlet with folding map. Very minor foxing.