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Coast of North America from Point Judith to Cape St. Antonio (Island of Cuba) Including The Bahama Banks . . . 1866

Stock#: 32308mb
Map Maker: Blunt
Date: 1866
Place: New York
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 28.5 x 129 inches
Price: \$1,500.00



Description:

Fine large format map of the East Coast of the United States, published by Blunt in New York City, the most famous of American Chart makers of the period.

Detailed coastal chart of the area from Narragansett Bay to the western end of Cuba, including inset charts include New York Harbor; Absecum Shoals and Havana Harbor, having been significantly revised from earlier editions.

The map shows light houses, light ships and channel buoys colored in red and yellow. First issued in 1846, this chart was periodically issued with new updates until 1869.

Working sea charts are inherently rare due to the nature of their use aboard ships. Although likely common when first made, the vast majority of them were either destroyed by use or destroyed intentionally when new updated versions were obtained.

Edmund Blunt started in business in 1796, before growing to become America's foremost producer of charts, pilot guides in the 19th century. Blunt's charts were the standard for American Navigations charts from 1810 to the 1860s and a number of the engravers who worked for them would later find work as competitors.

Detailed Condition:

Minor foxing and soiling. With original blue backing. The two shadows in the image are from the scanning process and are not discolorations on the chart.