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(Georgia and Part of South Carolina) (Rare Variant State!)

Stock#: 32382mb Map Maker: Lindenkohl

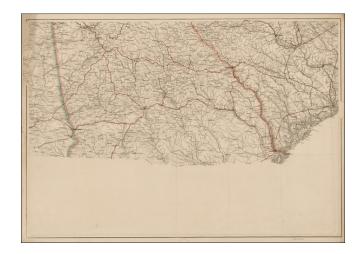
Date: 1864

Place: Washington Color: Outline Color

Condition: VG

Size: 35.5 x 24.5 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Rare variant state of this rare separately issued map of the northern parts of Georgia, produced by Andrew and Henry Lindenkohl and lithographed by Krebs at the direction of the US War Department in 1864.

The map would appear to be an early draft or proof map, with a final example of the same information shown on the following map: {{ inventory detail link('32384mb') }}

An exceptionally detailed proof example of the map, which would have been prepared for the Union Army for field use, although offered here in a rarely seen uncut, unbacked format (most examples were dissected and laid on linen, for portable transportation in saddle bags). The map would have been the primary map utilized by field officers in 1865.

At the commencement of the American Civil War, it became apparent to the senior military staff that there was a lack of reliable maps available. At the time, the finest government mapmakers and surveyors were employed by the United States Coast Survey. As a result, the job of compiling the best available information and creating up to date maps of the Southeastern United States fell to the United States Coast Survey. The Lindenkohl brothers were among the most prolific of the USCS mapmakers in this period and many of the best original compilation works were drawn by one or both of the Lindenkohls.

The map reflects a compilation of the best available geographical and topographical information available at the time and incorporates the maps of the US Coast Survey, Butts Map of Georgia, the Mills Atlas of South Carolina, Walker & Johnston's map of South Carolina, a "Map of Charleston & Savannah Rail Road", "Mail Routes and Ms. Map of Florida from the General Land Office," and Latourettes Map of Alabama.



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The map identifies the various military installations and operating railroads in service at the time. The map also notes a number of other roads, towns, post offices, mills, swamps, lakes, rivers, bluffs, etc. Without question, this is the finest map of the region published to date in terms of its content and accuracy.

Because these maps were created as field maps, they are very rare on the market, especially in such fine and unfolded condition. The map is very rare on the market, this being only the second example offered for sale of which we are aware.

The final version of the map is extremely rare and this proof is apparently unrecorded. No other copies of the final version of the map listed in AMPR, and there are no auction records for the map in the past 60 years. The last recorded offering of the map which we could locate was in a Goodspeed's Catalogue in 1946.

Detailed Condition:

Several areas which appear to be repairs on the edges of the map (top left and right side, center), are in fact printing anomalies from the original plate as there is no sign of repairs or restoration in these sections. A few minor marginal tears.