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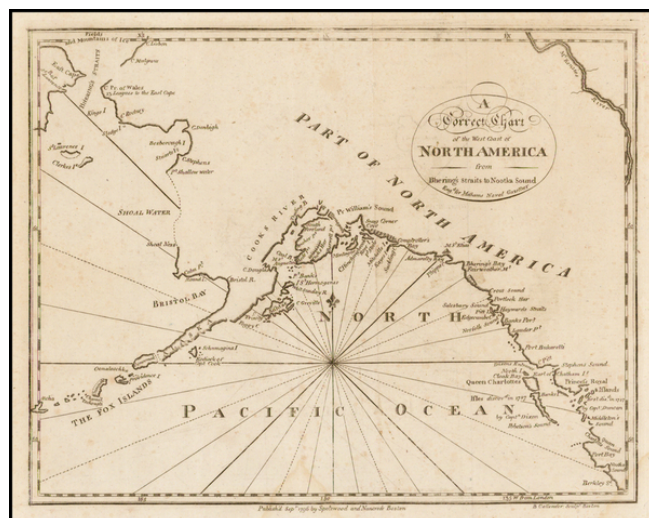
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A Correct Chart of the West Coast of North America from Bhering's Straits to Nootka Sound

Stock#: 34815
Map Maker: Spotswood and Nancrede
Date: 1796
Place: Boston
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 9 x 7.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Fine example of the first edition of this rare map of Alaska and vicinity, generally believed to be the earliest printed map Alaska published in America and the only such map published in the 18th Century.

The map was printed in Boston by Spotswood and Nancrede and engraved by Callender, for Malham's *The Naval Gazetteer*.

The map provides an excellent post-Cook, pre-Vancouver look at the region, delineating the Aleutian Islands and the Coast of Alaska and British Columbia with excellent detail for the period. The map depicts discoveries in the region, including Dixon's voyage of 1787 and the area discovered by Captain Duncan to the north of Middleton's Sound.

The coastline to the north of the Aleutians is still quite conjectural, ending with "Fields and Mountains of Ice" in the northern part of the "Bhering's Straits."

A fine early map, which was revised and re-issued in the 19th Century, with new information from Vancouver, etc.

Detailed Condition: