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Texas [Republic of Texas]

Stock#: 35943
Map Maker: Bradford
Date: 1838
Place: Boston
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 14 x 11.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Nice example of this early edition of Bradford's large map of the Republic of Texas, published only briefly at the beginning of 1838.

In 1835, Bradford issued a small map of the Texas shortly before it became a Republic. In 1838, Bradford issued his Illustrated Atlas, a much larger and more lavish production, which included the present map. This early edition, issued on heavy paper, is perhaps the best of all of the early Republic of Texas maps to appear in an atlas. It includes all of the empresario land grants and colonies, as well as the early county configurations. The map is updated to include many of the new towns and place names in the growing Republic, as well as many early roads and other features.

This early edition of Bradford's map is the only edition to exclusively show the early land grants in the Republic of Texas. The first edition can be distinguished from later editions, as it is the only edition in outline color, which followed the style of Bradford's earlier small format atlas. Following this first edition, Wiley & Co. of New York was added as a second publisher and the full wash color format was adopted, a



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format which would be used from 1838 onward. Beginning with the third edition in 1841, Bradford began to include Texas counties, which were superimposed over the land grants shown in the first and second editions.

Detailed Condition: