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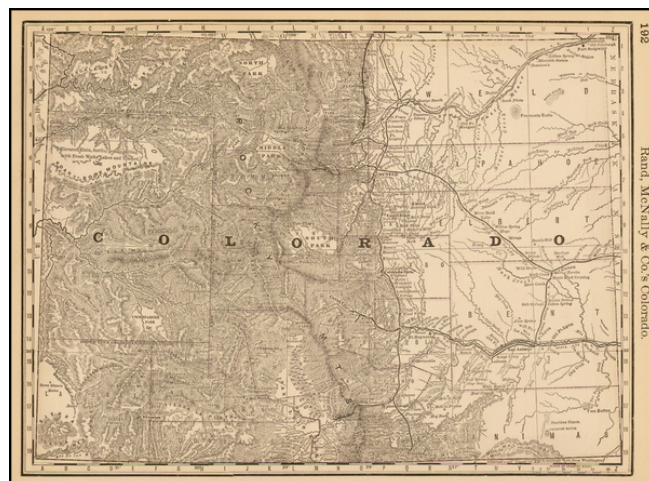
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## Rand & McNally Co.'s Colorado.

**Stock#:** 37348  
**Map Maker:** Rand McNally & Company  
**Date:** 1879  
**Place:** Chicago  
**Color:** Color  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 13 x 10 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

An interesting early map of Colorado, by Rand & McNally Co.

The map shows all of Colorado (which became a state in 1861) as it appeared in the late 1870s. Colorado was then undergoing a period of explosive growth, its population increased from around 40,000 in 1870 to 195,000 in 1880! The state is shown to be divided into counties, and the eastern half of the state is traversed by railways. Notably, the railways had not yet been constructed in the heavily mountainous western half of Colorado.

The map is from *Rand, McNally & Co.'s Business Atlas Containing Large Scale Maps of Each State and Territory of the United States...* (Chicago, 1879), a popular publication which helped propel Rand & McNally into the leading role in American map publishing.

### Detailed Condition: