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Upper Territories of the United States

Stock#: 40042
Map Maker: Lucas Jr.
Date: 1816 circa
Place: Baltimore
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 11 x 8.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Fine old color example of Fielding Lucas' map of the so called "Upper Territories," of the Midwest, published by Fielding Lucas circa 1816, and engraved by Tanner One of the few maps of the Old Northwest Territory and perhaps the rarest of maps to appear in a commercially printed atlas.

The map comprises Michigan Territory (created 1805), Illinois Territory (created 1809), Indiana Territory (created 1800), and North Western Territory (Northwest Territory) (created in 1787 and consisting of what would later become Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin and northeastern Minnesota). The Northwest Territory existed as a Territory from July 13, 1787, until March 1, 1803, when Ohio was admitted as a state.

The map shows the topography and hydrography of the region in nice detail, along with Indian Villages, Portages, and the few early settlements in the region, primarily along the Great Lakes, Mississippi River, and Ohio River.



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The map appeared in Fielding Lucas's *A New and Elegant General Atlas*. . . , published in Baltimore in about 1816. The Lucas Atlas is quite scarce, with no copies appearing at auction since 1989.

The map is very rare on the market and is not referenced in Karpinski's cartobibliography of Michigan Maps. This is the first time we have seen the map on the market.

Detailed Condition: