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Stock#: 45785
Map Maker: Whittle & Laurie
Date: 1812
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 21.5 x 31.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

One of the earliest Maps To Incorporate Information From Lewis & Clark

While the map covers all of America, it is truly remarkable for its coverage of the Transmississippi West. It also provides a nice early depiction of the Course of the Florida (Gulf) Stream.

The map depicts "Course of the R. Missouri extending to former conjectures", along with a remarkable depiction of the Pacific Northwest, on level of detail and accuracy not previously seen on any printed map.

The map clearly draws upon Soulard, Arrowsmith and Lewis & Clark for its sources.

Warren Heckrotte points out some geographically significant features:

The representation of the Missouri is interesting. Up to the great bend he seems to have followed Arrowsmith. And beyond that he shows Arrowsmith's dotted line representation of the



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Missouri to the Rockies, which Laurie & Whittle characterize as 'former conjectures.' They then show in solid line the Missouri proceeding west identified as 'River Missouri of Capt Lewis.' But to this they have added Soulard's representation of the Missouri with the great northern loop. Beyond that they have added the Gallatin, Madison and Jefferson as on the map in the 1809 Lewis and Clark and the map with the 1810 French Gass."

The map is extremely rare. We note only 1 other example in the Canadian National Archives (Quebec).

Provenance. Butterfield & Butterfield, December 16, 1996; Warren Heckrotte Collection, PBA Galleries March 2016.

Detailed Condition:

Dissected and laid on linen, as issued, with original slip case. Slipcase rubbed with some water damage; back of the map with dampstaining but noticeably affecting the front, though there is some light soiling and discoloration; very good.