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## Bird's Eye View of Aspen Pitkin Co. Colo. 1893 Published By The Apen Times

**Stock#:** 46121ja  
**Map Maker:** Koch  
  
**Date:** 1893 circa  
**Place:** Kansas City  
**Color:** Color  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 27 x 19.5 inches  
  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

#### *The Rarest Edition of Augustus Koch's view of Aspen*

Rare birdseye view of Aspen by noted viewmaker Augustus Koch, the only known 19th Century view of Aspen.

Augustus Koch's view of Aspen provides a remarkably detailed depiction of the booming town of Aspen, illustrating 83 places of interest, including City Hall, Schools, the Roaring Fork Electric Light Company, Hotels (the Jerome, among others), 2 railroad depots and a public Tramway, Theaters, Mines and Mining Company Offices, Tunnels, Fire Stations, the Post Office, Schools, Churches, Residences, Saloons and the Race Track, among other places of interest. The detail is truly remarkable.

The present example is the edition of the view in the Library of Congress and described by Reps in his survey of *American Views and Viewmakers*. John Reps located only 2 examples (Bancroft Library and Library of Congress). A second larger version with the Kimberly-Hudson imprint is also know, but not described in Reps.

It is difficult to gage the exact age of this example. Reps and the Library of Congress date the map as 1893. The map was created using a photographic process that allowed for the view to be printed on a reduced size. We can offer no better estimate of the dating than Reps and the Library of Congress (see below).

A link to the Library of Congress example can be found here: <https://www.loc.gov/item/75694514/>



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**Detailed Condition:**

4 old folds, likely from having been rolled and flattened.