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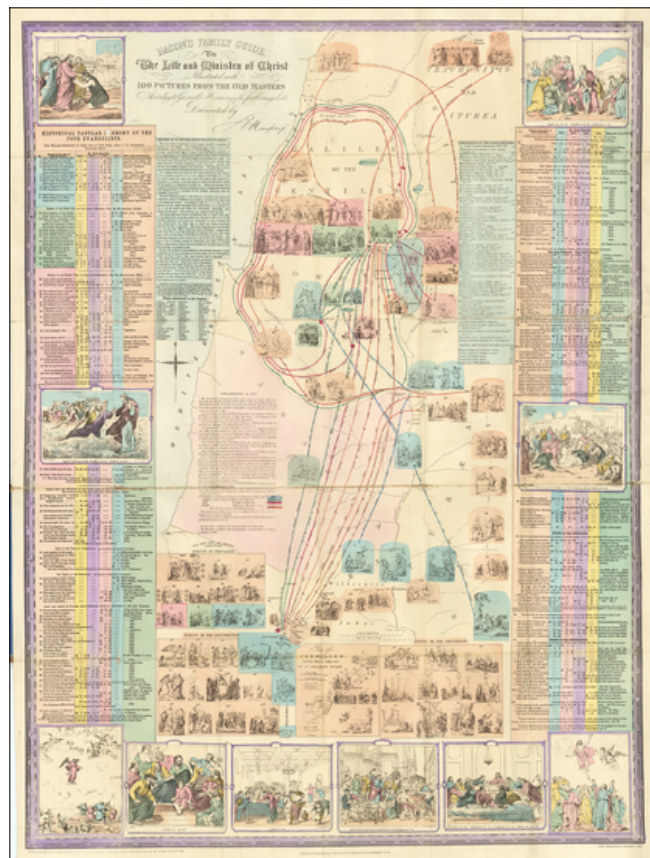
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**Bacon's Family Guide To The Life and Ministry of Christ Illustrated with 100 Pictures
from the Old Masters According to Greswell's Harmony of the four Evangelists.
Delineated by R. Mimpriss**

Stock#: 61655
Map Maker: Mimpriss
Date: 1873
Place: Cincinnati, Ohio
Color: Color
Condition: VG
Size: 27 x 36 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

The Mimpriss System For Teaching The History of the Gospel

Fine illustrated biblical time line "Delineated by Robert Mimpriss" and published in Cincinnati by John Beardshaw.

Mimpriss's system for teaching the History of the Gospel in Sunday Schools was utilized in both America and the United Kingdom during the 19th Century. Mimpriss's work began early in life, when he created the *Mimpriss System of Graduated Simultaneous Instruction*, which he based on Edward Greswell's *Harmony of the Gospels* (1830).

Edward Greswell (1797-1869), an English churchman and academic, known as a chronologist. His



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Harmony of the Four Evangelists was published in the middle of the 19th Century. In 1830, he published a 3 volume work entitled *Dissertations upon the Principles and Arrangement of a Harmony of the Gospels*, Oxford, 1830, 3 vols., which served as the inspiration for Robert Mimpriss's exegetical work ("Mimpriss system") intended for Sunday schools.

As noted below, after brief attempts at other careers including the study of art, from 1830 to 1850 Mimpriss was chiefly engaged in writing books in connection with his system, but he repeatedly travelled round the country setting forth its merits or advocating millenarian and teetotal principles. He was also a supporter of sabbatarianism, an active member of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and a promoter of the education of deaf mute people.

John Beardshaw was active publishing Sunday School and Gospel materials in the 1870s in Cincinnati and apparently had a relationship with GW Bacon & Company in London. His published works included *Bacon's chronological and geographical family guide to the Holy Bible*, in 1870 (published by H.C. Tunison in Jacksonville Illinois). After moving to New York, he would publish other Bacon works including *Bird's-Eye View of Egypt looking North from the Pyramids* (New York, 1882) and *The pictorial view of the world* (New York, 1882).

The Outlook, 1874, Volume 9 (at page 292) provides praise for Beardshaw's map of Palestine, noting:

It is a pictorial map of Palestine. of a convenient size and form. distinctly printed and colored, and in addition. marked off in equal squares to show the distances accurately. But no one can be at a loss to find good maps now-a-days for Sunday school purposes

Rarity

We note a copy of the 1876 edition listed as having been acquired in 1888 by the British Museum (likely the copy listed by OCLC in the British Library).

Detailed Condition:

Minor abrasion at one fold.