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Map of Mexico, Including Yucatan & Upper California, exhibiting The Chief Cities And Towns, The Principal Travelling Routes &c . . . 1846

Stock#: 64036
Map Maker: Mitchell
Date: 1848
Place: Philadelphia
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 23.5 x 17.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Early Appearance of Dallas -- Maximum Texas

Significantly improved and updated example of S.A. Mitchell's map of Upper California, Texas, Mexico and the Southwest, which includes the Spanish Trail, Trader's Route to Independence and several other important western routes.

The map was originally prepared in 1848 to illustrate the progress of the Mexican American War and presents one of the most striking images of Texas, during the period between its joining the United States in 1845 and becoming a state in 1850.

Six battle fields are illustrated by flags including Alamo, San Jacinto, Palo Alto, Resaca de la Palma, Buena Vista, and Monterey. The legend of the inset map illustrates gun batteries and forts. Below the inset a legend explains the dates of various battles and distances by road to Mexican cities.

Mitchell's map was perhaps the most popular of the Mexican-American War maps, covering Mexico including California and Baja. Texas had just attained its statehood in 1846 and is prominently outlined in red in its "Stovepipe" configuration.

In California, The Great Spanish Trail to Santa Fe is prominently shown, as is Sutter's New Helvetia, which would be the site of the discovery of gold in 1848.



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1848 Edition

The 1848 edition is significantly revised and improved in Texas and Upper California. The changes include:

- Additional Rivers in California tributary to the Sacramento River and Colorado River in California
- Additional Rivers are added in Texas
- Indian Tribal names in California
- New towns are added on the road south from Taos to El Paso.
- Two new Cities are added in Southern California
- New towns are added throughout Texas

Detailed Condition: