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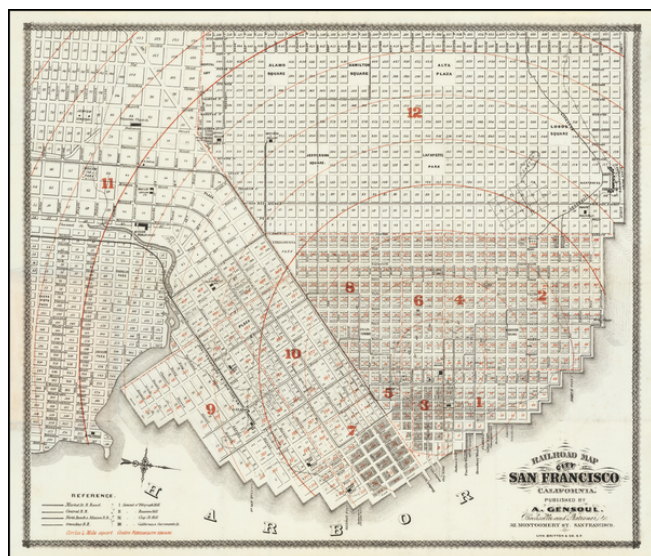
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**Railroad Map of the City of San Francisco California. Published by A. Gensoul,
Bookseller and Stationer . . .**

Stock#: 64228
Map Maker: Britton & Co.
Date: 1863
Place: San Francisco
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 15.5 x 13.5 inches
Price: \$1,200.00



Description:

First state of "one of the rarest maps of the City of San Francisco" and one of the earliest printed in the city.

The map shows the city in remarkable detail. Rumsey notes:

Norris: "Very scarce railroad map of San Francisco." Streeter purchased the Norris copy, which was not in as good condition as [the Rumsey] copy. Not in any of the standard references. Red circles emanate from City Hall showing distances at 1/4 mile intervals. Four railroads are identified. The map goes west to Divisadero and south to Alta Street. . . . A later issue was published in 1866 by Gensoul; a similar map was used in various editions of the San Francisco Municipal Reports in the 1860's.

Later editions of the map were bounded into the *SAN FRANCISCO BUSINESS DIRECTORY AND MERCANTILE GUIDE*, also published by Britton & Co.

The map notes the city blocks, plat map numbers, streets, wharfs, parks, squares, election districts and most notably, the location of the Market Street R. Road, Central R.R., North Beach and Mission R.R.; Omnibus R.R. etc. The Summit of Telegraph Hill, Russian Hill, Clay St. Hill and California and Sacramento St. Hill are shown, along with 1/4 mile circles from the center at Portsmouth Square.



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Detailed Condition:

Mounted in a red cloth booklet with bookseller's label on the front: "Robert J. Betge, New York Book Store. 217 Montgomery Street (Russ House) San Francisco, Cal." Green paper title label reads: "Pocket Map of San Francisco, 1864."