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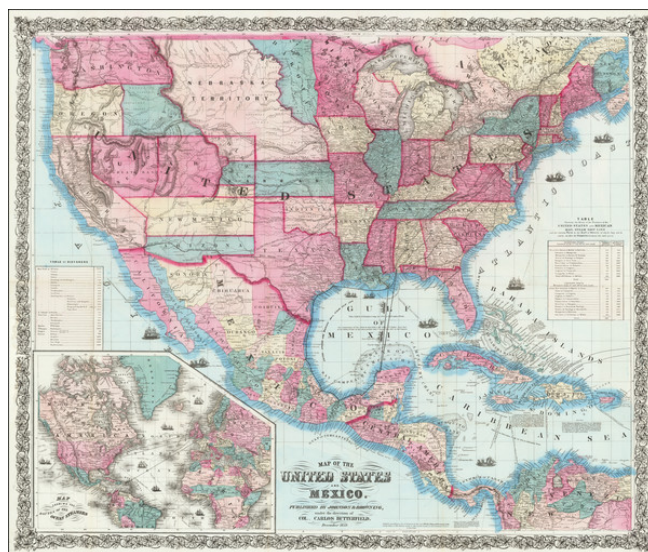
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[Shows Colona] Map of the United States and Mexico. Published . . . Under the Direction of Col. Carlos Butterfield. December 1859

Stock#: 66964
Map Maker: Johnson & Browning
Date: 1859
Place: New York
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 38 x 32 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Rare Map of the United States Showing Colona Territory

Decorative large format separately issued maps of the United States, naming Colona (Colorado Territory).

The map is one of the first appearances of the name Denver City on a map. The Denver City Town Company was founded by William H. Larimer from Leavenworth, Kansas Territory. It is quite possible that this map represents the earliest appearance of the name Denver City on a map, pre-dating the appearance of the name on JH Colton's 1860 edition of the Territories of New Mexico and Utah map, which is one of the earliest known appearances.

Carlos Butterfield was an early advocate of the creation of regular a regular steamship and mail service between the United States (either New Orleans or Mobile) and the various major Mexican ports in the Gulf of Mexico. Butterfield published a promotional tract for his project, which was widely disseminated immediately prior to the Civil War. While copies of the promotional tract are not uncommon, only a few copies were offered with this exceptional map of the United States, showing among other things one of the earliest appearances of the Territory of Colona on a map, and one of the very few published in the United States.

The map was published by Johnson & Browning, who had only recently separated from JH Colton & Company in 1859 to commence their own publishing venture in New York and later Richmond, Virginia,



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the map is rich with details, most notably, the overland route from Franklin, Missouri to El Paso, Texas and then on to Los Angeles.

Rarity

The map is rare on the market. This is our first example in more than 10 years.

Not in Wheat or Howes.

Detailed Condition:

Minor repairs to folds splits on verso.