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Austrian Empire

Stock#: 67153
Map Maker: Arrowsmith
Date: 1842
Place: London
Color: Outline Color
Condition: VG
Size: 24 x 20 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Antique map of the Austrian Empire, published by the leading London mapmaker of the time John Arrowsmith. Includes the realms of Hungary, Bohemia, Moravia, Galitzia, Bukowina, Croatia, Slovenia, Banat and Transylvania. The map is highly detailed, with towns, roads, rivers and other details.

This map was published in 1842, six years before the key events of 1848. The "Age of Metternich" which had existed since 1815 and brought a balance of power to Europe was overthrown by restlessness throughout the Empire in this year. In Austria, a coalition of debtors, peasants unhappy with their feudal obligations, and civilians opposing conscription forced the resignation of Metternich. The revolutions then spread to Hungary, where the "April Laws" finally lead to the abolition of serfdom. However, King Ferdinand I was unable to control power, and eventually abdicated in December of 1848. The wars and revolutions in the years that followed were all heavily influenced by this critical year.

Detailed Condition:

Old hand-color.