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Johnson's Asia

Stock#: 67429
Map Maker: Johnson
Date: 1860
Place: New York
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 15 x 12.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

An attractive antique map of the continent of Asia, hand-colored by country and province. The map shows major cities, lakes, rivers, mountains. Includes a decorative border. This map was likely derived from Johnson's earlier wall map.

The Russian Empire is shown as united, but with a border through the Urals. The northern Kuriles appear as Russian, while the southern ones are Japanese. The Chinese empire is extensive, encompassing China, Mongolia, "Manchooria," "Bod or Tibet" and more. Hindoostan is shown, and borders in Persia are not as well-demarcated as those in the Far East. "Cabool" and "Beloochistan" occupy the area east of the "Great Salt Desert," between Persia and Hindoostan.

The map labels several high peaks, including Dhawalagiri [Dhaulagiri] and Kunchinginga [Kangchenjunga]. The latter was believed to be the highest peak in the world until 1849, when the Great India Survey was conducted. Despite this, Everest is not shown in this map and inaccurate peak heights are still shown.

The edition of this map can be deciphered by the style of the decorative border as well as the numbering in the lower right.

Detailed Condition: