



Barry Lawrence Ruderman Antique Maps Inc.

7407 La Jolla Boulevard
La Jolla, CA 92037

www.raremaps.com

(858) 551-8500
blr@raremaps.com

Rand, McNally & Co's General Map of the Republic of Mexico Constructed from the best Authorities Showing Completed & Proposed Railways, Steamship Routes and Telegraphic Communications. Chicago, U.S. 1882. Corrected to 1884.

Stock#: 67863
Map Maker: Rand McNally & Company
Date: 1882 (1884)
Place: Chicago
Color: Color
Condition: VG+
Size: 32 x 21 inches Each Sheet
Price: SOLD



Description:

One of the Largest 19th Century Printed Maps of Mexico

Remarkable large format map of Mexico, published by Rand McNally & Co. in Chicago.

The map provides a meticulous accounting of the telegraph lines, railroads, and steamship lines (existing and proposed) with connecting routes to the United States also shown. A symbol locating "Ports of entry for foreign trade" and points of entry for coasting trade are noted.

This map was published at the end of the González Interregnum, the period between 1880 and 1884 when General Manuel González held the presidency after Porfirio Díaz had stepped down. The period was marked by increasing openness to investment by U.S. nationals and an attempt by the Mexican government to make the country seem like a safe and attractive place to invest. This map clearly means to advance that cause by displaying Mexico's advanced national communications network.

Rumsey notes:

This does not look like the "normal" Rand McNally map - it is probably a separately made map that they acquired the rights to. This copy [and our copy] was sold in England by Edward Stanford and has his label on the case. Map is in four sheets, each dissected into 21 sections. With outline color by state, topography shown in brown, and railways and shipping routes in red. . . .



**Barry Lawrence Ruderman
Antique Maps Inc.**

7407 La Jolla Boulevard
La Jolla, CA 92037

www.raremaps.com

(858) 551-8500
blr@raremaps.com

Rand, McNally & Co's General Map of the Republic of Mexico Constructed from the best Authorities Showing Completed & Proposed Railways, Steamship Routes and Telegraphic Communications. Chicago, U.S. 1882. Corrected to 1884.

Rarity

This 1884 state of the map is apparently unrecorded. OCLC locates several examples of the 1882 edition.

Prior to this example appearing in 2020, we were unable to locate any examples of this map on the market.

Detailed Condition:

Original slipcase. Dissected and laid on 4 sheets of contemporary linen, as issued.