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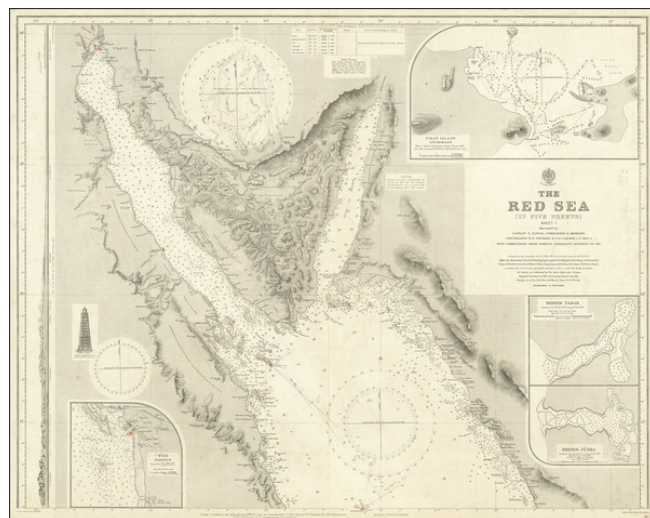
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The Red Sea (In Five Sheets) Sheet I. [only]

Stock#: 68860
Map Maker: British Admiralty
Date: 1873 (1919)
Place: London
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 33 x 26 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

This is an expansive navigational chart of the northern Red Sea, centered on the Sinai Peninsula and showing the Gulfs of Suez and Aqaba. Containing all the detail typical of British Admiralty maps, this would have been a chart of the utmost importance for anyone navigating the all-important shipping lanes of the region.

The map stretches from the Suez Canal in the north to about fifty miles south of the Sinai Peninsula. Detail shown includes soundings, shoals, reefs, anchorages, lighthouses, and more. On land, the map is surprisingly detailed for an Admiralty chart, showing the many mountains, plains, and wadis of the area. The map includes four inset maps, showing Tor Harbour, Sherm Jubba, Sherm Yahar, and Tiran Island. In addition, a depiction of a lighthouse and a panorama of the Strait of Jubal in the southern Sinai are provided.

Descriptions of the landscape, names with religious connotations, and other points of intrigue abound on this map. The work was originally published alongside four other maps of the Red Sea, likely showing parts of the region further to the south. The map contains some manuscript annotations showing calculations and navigational tracks up the Gulf of Suez.

Detailed Condition: