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Map of the United States of America, The British Provinces, with Parts of Mexico and the West Indies 1849

Stock#: 70155 **Map Maker:** Colton

Date: 1849Place: New YorkColor: Hand Colored

Condition: VG

Size: 43.5 x 34 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

The United States with a Remarkable Texas Configuration

Rare 1849 Colton wall map of the United States, which features a massive "stovepipe" Texas configuration, on the eve of the Texas Compromise of 1850.

Another fascinating feature of the map is the treatment of the area called "Upper California" to the west of Texas. While the name New Mexico appears, there is a very distinct Mexico-Upper California boundary line south of El Paso del Norte, which would have put the town of El Paso on the Texas-California border.

The map shows Indian Territory, then populate by regions reserved for the Shawnee, Potawatamie, Wyandotte, Cherokee, Osage, Creek, Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations.

A massive Nebraska Territory extends to the Canadian border, with a number of Indian Nations named in the eastern part, along the Missouri River. The newly created Minnesota Territory is shown, which had just been formed in March 1849.

Texas Compromise of 1850

Under the compromise, Texas surrendered its claims to present-day New Mexico and other states in return for the United States Federal Government's assumption of Texas's public debt. California was admitted as a free state, while the remaining portions of the Mexican Cession were organized into New



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Mexico Territory and Utah Territory.

Rarity

The map is extremely rare.

We have been unable to locate another example of this map.

Detailed Condition:

Wall map, restored and laid on new linen, with new silk edges. Some minor chipping and loss, but the map is now devarnished and stabilized, with the color retouched.