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Africa

Stock#: 71995
Map Maker: Thomson
Date: 1817
Place: Edinburgh
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 20.5 x 18 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Highly detailed engraved antique map of Africa, published in Edinburgh in 1817.

The map reflects the recently-accepted lack of European knowledge about the interior of the continent. Before the beginning of the 19th century, European cartographers were given to indulging myth and speculation when it came to Africa. That began to fade away with the French at the end of the 18th century and most famously with Aaron Arrowsmith at the beginning of the 19th. This map follows in that tradition, though the Mountains of the Moon and the Mountains of Kong persist as definitely as ever.

From John Thomson's *New General Atlas*.

Detailed Condition:

Original hand-color.