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Michigan. Drawn & Published by David H. Burr.

Stock#: 71999 **Map Maker:** Burr

Date: 1834
Place: New York
Color: Hand Colored

Condition: VG+

Size: 10.5 x 12.5 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

One of the Earliest Obtainable Maps of Michigan Territory, Three Years Prior To Statehood

Highly desirable early map of Michigan by David Burr, which appeared in his *Universal Atlas*.

The Upper Peninsula is now part of Michigan, with a massive Michilimackinac County covering the upper part of the state and much of the UP. A large Green Bay is shown in what is described as Huron Territory. Large Sanilac, Saginaw and Lapeer Counties are shown, and many counties are yet to be divided.

The Indian Boundary Line from the Saginaw Treaty is shown. A massive Township of Michilimackinac is shown, one of its only appearances on a map. The region west of the Lake is also extremely fascinating. Includes the disputed southern strip between Indiana and Illinois.

Burr's Atlas was perhaps the most elegant American commercially published atlas of its time, with an elegant engraving style. Burr studied under Simeon DeWitt in New York. His first atlas was an Atlas of New York State, the second state atlas to be issued in the US (after Mills Atlas of South Carolina in 1826).



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In the 1830s, he served as topographer for the US Post Office, producing a series of rare and highly sought-after large-format state maps during this period. Later, he was appointed as the Geographer of the House of Representatives, where he served during the later part of the 1830s. Burr is widely regarded as one of the most important names in American Cartographic history.

Detailed Condition:

Full original hand-color.