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Cable and Wireless via Imperial Limited

Stock#: 74257
Map Maker: Stanford
Date: 1944
Place: London
Color: Color
Condition: VG
Size: 38 x 18 inches (Including title)

Price: \$ 795.00

Description:

Connecting The World During WWII

Large map of the world, illustrating the wireless telegraph and cable routes of Imperial Cable and Wireless Ltd. The present example is dated 4-44 (April 1944).

The map notes at the bottom, noting:

Direct Cable Routes, In Which Instantaneous Automatic Retransmission Only Is Used At Intermediate Stations, Are Provided From London To Capetown, Hong Kong, Singapore, Rio de Janeiro, Buenos Aires, Bombay, Colombo and Egypt.

See Rumsey 8368 for the May 1922 "Via Eastern" worldwide cable map. It is particularly interesting to view this map in relationship with other similar maps, to study the way in which cable routes expanded over time, what were the priorities of the cable companies, etc.

The wireless routes are curious to a modern viewer but were vital in the 1930s and 1940s.

The map illustrates how London was the center of a global communications network at the time.

Detailed Condition:

