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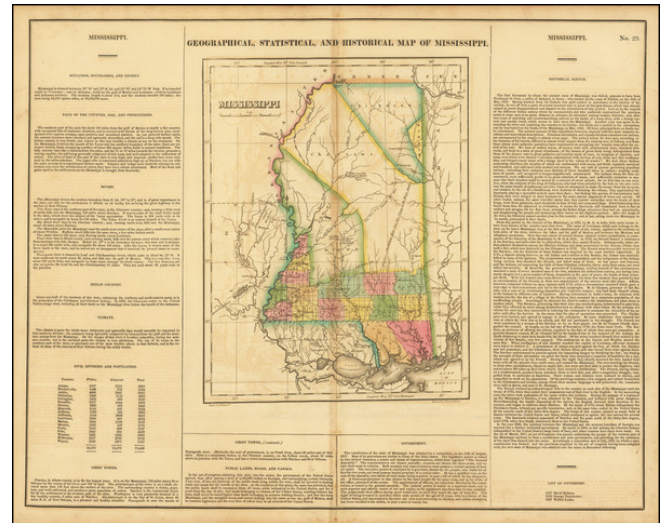
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Geographical, Statistical, and Historical Map of Mississippi.

Stock#: 78865
Map Maker: Lea
Date: 1827
Place: Philadelphia
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: Good
Size: 21 x 16.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

An important early map of the State of Mississippi, by Carey & Lea.

This interesting map, first issued in 1822, shows Mississippi only 5 years after the state entered the Union on December 10, 1817. At this time, only a southern third of the state had been settled by Americans of European origin, while much of the northern two-thirds were still the lands of the Chickasaw and Choctaw Native American nations. Jackson, the state capital, lay right on the northern edge of the settled area. The vast native lands are traversed only by the 'Road from Pierce River to Nashville' and 'General Jackson's Road from New Orleans to Muscle Shoals', the latter made by the U.S. Army during the Creek War (1813-14).

The present map appeared as part of Henry Carey & Isaac Lea's *A Complete Historical, Chronological, and Geographical American Atlas* (Philadelphia, 1822). It included many important early state maps, along with detailed written descriptions of the present state and history of the states. Carey & Lea were part of the venerable firm, Carey & Sons, the first great American map publishing house, established by Henry's father Matthew Carey in the 1780s.

This map is one of the critical foundation maps of any collection of the cartography of Mississippi.

Detailed Condition:

Original hand-color by county. Some toning particularly at the centerfold.