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Iowa and Wisconsin

Stock#: 79519
Map Maker: Bradford

Date: 1838
Place: Boston
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 11.5 x 14.5 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Early Antique Map of Iowa Territory and Wisconsin Territory

Important early map of part of Iowa and Wisconsin, with large inset showing all of Iowa Territory and Wisconsin Territory extending to the Canadian Border.

Iowa Territory was organized in July 1838 and remained a Territory until 1846. Most of the part of Iowa shown is Indian Lands, with only Dubuque, Cook, Musqueti, Louisa, Herny, Des Moines, Lee, and Van Buren Counties shown. Wisconsin also has only a hand full of counties, all but Crawford being south of the Wisconsin River. The lands to the north include New York Indian lands. Massive Iowa and Brown Counties are shown. Many early forts, rapids, portages, etc., are shown. This is the first appearance of Iowa on a commercial atlas map, making this almost certainly its earliest appearance on any map.

Similarly, Wisconsin had only become a territory in July 1836, this being the first appearance in a commercial atlas. The inset tracks the drainage of the Missouri River to Canada and shows many Indian

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tribal lands, forts, etc. Bradford's *Illustrated Atlas* was first issued in 1838.

Detailed Condition: