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The Provinces of La Plata, The Banda Oriental Del Uruguay and Chile, Chiefly from M.S. documents communicated by Sir Woodbine Parish, K.C.H. Late H.M. Charge' d'Affairs &c at Buenos Ayres . . .

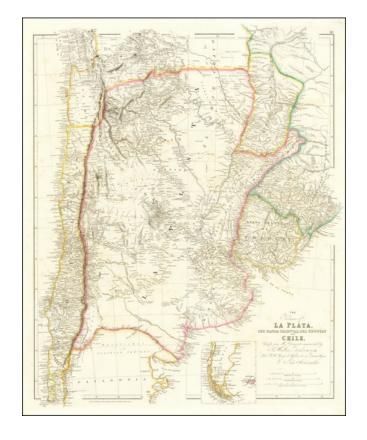
Stock#: 80342 Map Maker: Arrowsmith

Date: 1839
Place: London
Color: Outline Color

Condition: VG+

Size: 20.5 x 25 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Shows Darwin's expeditions during the second voyage of the Beagle.

A highly detailed map of Argentina, Chile, Uruguay and Paraguay, with an inset of Patagonia, published by John Arrowsmith, London's leading mid-19th-century map maker. The map is colored by regions and shows more detail than any contemporary commercial atlas map of the region. A truly impressive and highly detailed map.

Many of these countries shown have borders almost unrecognizable when compared to the present. Bolivia reaches the coast in the Atacama region, while Peru controls the Tarapaca Province. Chile, despite being the most stable state in the region, is stumpy and extends neither far to the north or south. This would be resolved by the War of the Pacific and the Boundary Treaty of 1881, leading to the elongated shape we see today. Uruguay is the only country without major changes, though the Lake Merin



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area is shown as unclaimed. The detail on the map is, as previously mentioned, remarkable. All major features known at the time are shown, and many provinces named. Includes extensive and interesting notes, from translations to information on the passibility of rivers to routes of expeditions through these countries. The map shows Darwin's expeditions during the second voyage of the Beagle.

The inset map shows Patagonia, Tierra del Fuego, and the Falklands. Less detailed than the main map due to a lack of knowledge at the time, it nevertheless shows islands, mountains, and some rivers to a high degree of accuracy. In addition, this inset includes notes on famous expeditions, including Robert FitzRoy's journey and Antonia de Viedma's 1783 expedition to Lake Viedma. This latter expedition is not often noted.

Detailed Condition:

Original hand-color in outline.