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A New Map of America, from the Latest Authorities . . . 1806

Stock#: 85733
Map Maker: Cary
Date: 1806
Place: London
Color: Outline Color
Condition: VG+
Size: 21 x 18.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

A large detailed map of America, published shortly after the Louisiana Purchase.

The map shows a fascinating northern coastline for Alaska and Canada along the Northwest Passage (the Icy Sea).

Excellent detail along the Northwest Coast of America, however the cartography in California, Oregon, and Utah clearly reflects the lack of information subsequently derived from the explorations of Humboldt, Pike, Lewis & Clark, and Jedidiah Smith.

Classic depiction of Mexico and Upper California on the eve of Mexico's independence from Spain. Excellent detail in Canada, especially the unsettled prairies east of the Rocky Mountains. This is one of the more interesting pre-Lewis & Clark maps of the West, with some effort at the supposed course of the Missouri above the Mandan Villages, with the river marked in dashed lines reaching the Rocky Mountains. There is also some conjectural watershed east of Puget Sound, but it is largely left blank, being one of the last commercial maps of the period not to provide exaggerated and unknown regions with bold (and inaccurate) claims.



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Detailed Condition:

Original hand-color in outline. Minor offsetting and soiling. Pin hole in middle right margin. Minor foxing.