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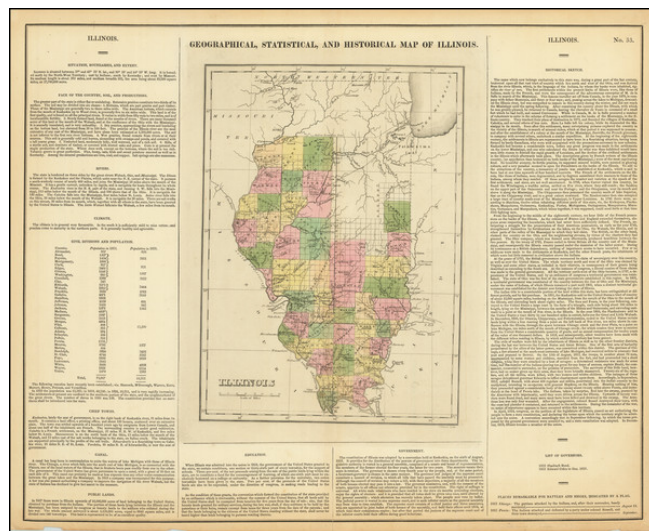
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Geographical, Statistical and Historical Map of Illinois (Final State)

Stock#: 87397
Map Maker: Carey & Lea
Date: 1827
Place: Philadelphia
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 20.5 x 16.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Nice example of the final state of Illinois from Carey & Lea's *Geographical, Statistical and Historical Atlas of North America*.

Carey & Lea's map of Illinois is one of the earliest obtainable maps of Illinois. The present example of the map is significantly updated from the 1822 edition, including nearly double the number of counties, many of which are in the former Bounty Lands, as well as a significant change to the area around Chicago, including the addition of the route of the Canal.

There is significantly more detail in the Upper Mississippi River and its tributaries, as well as significant new Indian Village information in Northern Illinois. The course of the Upper Illinois River has been significantly improved, and a road from Edwardsville and the Missouri River to Chicago is now shown. Even the shape of the lower part of Lake Michigan is updated.

This important and historical map shows Illinois at an early stage of development with few towns and only a few roads. The Northern portion is Indian Lands, other than the demarcated Boundary Lands west of the Illinois River. A narrow corridor separates Chicago from the various Indian claims. About 18 counties appear in the South, many oversized from their final configurations. Some early townships and towns appear in the south, but the North is populated only by a few Indian Villages.

This is the earliest reasonably obtainable map of the state, issued only a few years after Illinois obtained statehood. Marvelous Indian details. Carey & Lea's Atlas is highly prized not only for its cartographic



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information but the marvelous information about each of the states and territories included. The atlas was issued in 6 editions in English, French & German between 1822 and 1827.

Size includes text below map, which contains details concerning the topography, indigenous lands, rivers, chief towns, commerce, government, and a historical sketch.

Detailed Condition: