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Sale Map No. 11 Salt Marsh & Tide Lands Situate in the Counties of Alameda & Contra Costa State of California

Stock#: 88504
Map Maker: Britton & Rey
Date: 1872
Place: San Francisco
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 22 x 53.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Important, large real estate auction map of the East Bay area north of Oakland, printed by Britton and Rey in 1872. The map is one of a series of such cadastral maps produced between 1869 and 1873 to illustrate the tidelands being sold under the authority of the Board of Tide Land Commissioners. That series consisted of at least 12 maps, of which this is number 11.



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David Rumsey describes Sale Map No. 11 thusly:

This map is double the size of the usual tide land maps and shows the shore of the east bay from Oakland north to Point San Pablo. Cadastral map showing drainage, township and section lines, land ownership, ranchos, lot numbers, railroads, etc. Map is without color (for hand colored copy see our 4470). Printed on 2 sheets, mounted together.

The map includes an inset "Tide Lands in Lake Merritt".

The tidelands maps are connected to the so-called Tidelands Controversy of 1868-79, during which locals became concerned that moves were being made to give away valuable waterfront property to specific railroad interests, namely the Central Pacific. The lands covered by the present map were covered in an "'Act Supplementary to & amendatory of an Act entitled an Act to survey & dispose of certain Salt Marsh & Tide Lands Belonging to the State of California, approved Marsh [sic!] Thirtieth, Eighteen Hundred and Sixty Eight' Approved April 1st. 1870."

The sale was held by Greenbaum & Co. Auctioneers, on Wednesday, July 10th, 1872, at 11 A.M.

The names of the Tide Land Commissioners and the Chief Engineer are given.

Rarity

We locate examples at Stanford (Rumsey Collection x2), UC Berkeley, and the Huntington.

Detailed Condition:

Folding map on thin wove paper with some loss at folds and fold intersections. Overall Good to VG.