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## (Trans-Siberian Railroad) Карта путей сообщения Азиатской России [Map of Communication Routes of Asiatic Russia]

**Stock#:** 93139  
**Map Maker:** A. Ilyin  
**Date:** 1911  
**Place:** St. Petersburg  
**Color:** Color  
**Condition:** Fair  
**Size:** 71.5 x 36.5 inches  
**Price:** \$ 2,800.00



### Description:

Important large-scale map of Siberia and northern China, with a particular focus on the Trans-Siberian Railway, which in the process of being built at the time this map was produced. The map was produced by the Department of Statistics and Cartography of the Ministry of Communications in 1911. The map was created at the cartographic establishment of A. Ilyin in St. Petersburg, Russia.

The construction of the Trans-Siberian Railway started in 1891 and was completed in 1916. It is a vast rail network that spans across Russia, connecting Moscow to the Russian Far East and the Sea of Japan. The railway played a crucial role in the development of Siberia and the Russian Far East, promoting trade and facilitating transportation between Europe and Asia.

This map, scaled at 100 versts (an old Russian unit of length equal to 1.0668 kilometers) per inch, was first published in 1899. The current fifth edition of the map contains significantly more information than previous editions. An additional key seems to indicate the addition of information about agriculture along the route.

The map was based on various sources, including materials from the Main Land Management and Agriculture Department, the List of Factories and Plants of Russia published by the Ministry of Finance in 1910, and other official data from different departments and ministries.

The work on creating the map's original versions was carried out by military topographer S. A. Obnorsky, with the participation of draftsman A. N. Mirkin, and the overall management of the Cartographic Department by V. A. Borkovsky. The head of the Department of Statistics and Cartography of the Ministry of Communications and member of the Engineering Council was Timonov.



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**Detailed Condition:**

Large color-lithographed wall map mounted on original linen. Old horizontal and vertical folds causing some degradation of the paper, as illustrated. Dampstain. Various other wear and soiling. Still with nearly all of the printed image intact.