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## Credit Lyonnais Fonde en 1863 - Afrique du Nord & Union Francaise

**Stock#:** 93631  
**Map Maker:** Boucher  
**Date:** 1945 circa  
**Place:** France  
**Color:** Color  
**Condition:** Good  
**Size:** 27 x 37.5 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

This striking mid-20th-century pictorial map by Lucien Boucher, titled "Crédit Lyonnais Fondé En 1863 Afrique du Nord Union Française," showcases the former French colonies in Africa, highlighting their diverse industries and resources, in the context of promoting the French credit company Crédit Lyonnais.

Created circa 1945, the map captures the spirit of the post-World War II era, as France sought to reestablish its economic influence in its African colonies. The richly detailed illustration not only reflects France's colonial history but also emphasizes the economic potential of these territories. The map artistically represents various industries, from gold mining to goat rearing, indicating the range of resources and opportunities found in these regions.

The talented Lucien Boucher, a French artist known for his work with Air France and his decorative cartography, masterfully created this captivating piece. His distinctive style and attention to detail are



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evident throughout the map, giving it both artistic and historical value. Printed by Perceval Paris, a renowned printing house, the map's vivid colors and high-quality production techniques further enhance its visual appeal.

As a snapshot of France's post-war colonial aspirations and a showcase of its economic interests in Africa, this pictorial map offers valuable insights into the historical context of the period. It also stands as a testament to the enduring appeal of Lucien Boucher's cartographic artistry.

**Detailed Condition:**

Insect damage and abrasions to the image, as illustrated. Paper somewhat brittle at bottom edge, with some chipping.