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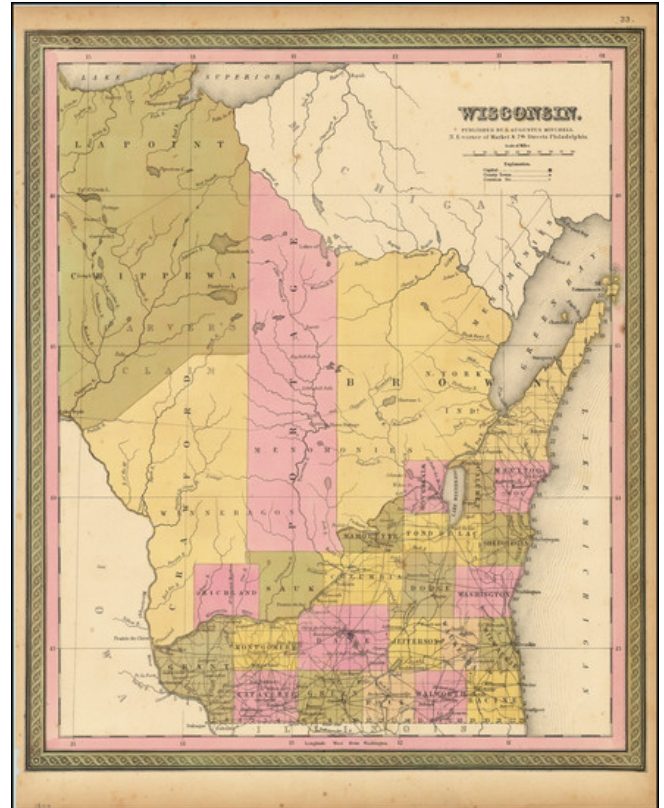
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Map Maker: Mitchell
Date: 1849
Place: Philadelphia
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 13.5 x 16 inches
Price: \$ 295.00



Description:

Statehood for Wisconsin

Fine early map of the State of Wisconsin, issued in 1849, one year after Wisconsin was granted statehood in 1848.

The areas south of the Wisconsin and Fox Rivers are remarkably detailed, with the lands extensively surveyed, and an abundance of early counties and towns meticulously represented. Significant developments in the county demarcations are evident, with Brown County, Portage County, La Point County, and Chippewa County first appearing on the map in this year.

The presence of Native American lands is a prominent feature on the map. Territories of the Winnebagos, Menomonies, Oneidas, New York tribes, and the Chippewa are clearly marked, underlining the region's rich indigenous heritage.



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The notable "Carver Claim" is also displayed, an enduring feature that, at this point, is nearly a century old. This refers to Jonathan Carver's alleged grant from the Sioux Indians, which he claimed gave him control of a vast region in the Upper Midwest. The Carver Claim, though disputed and never legally recognized, remained a contentious issue throughout the early exploration and settlement of this region, serving as a symbol of the tensions between European explorers and the Native American tribes.

The southern part of the map is replete with roads and towns, showing the rapid expansion of European settlement in the region, while the northern part is filled with rivers and portages, indicating a largely unexplored territory with opportunities for further development and exploration.

Also notable on this map is the delineation of the "Sioux and Chippewa Boundary." This likely reflects the failed attempt to create a boundary between the two tribes in 1835.

Detailed Condition: