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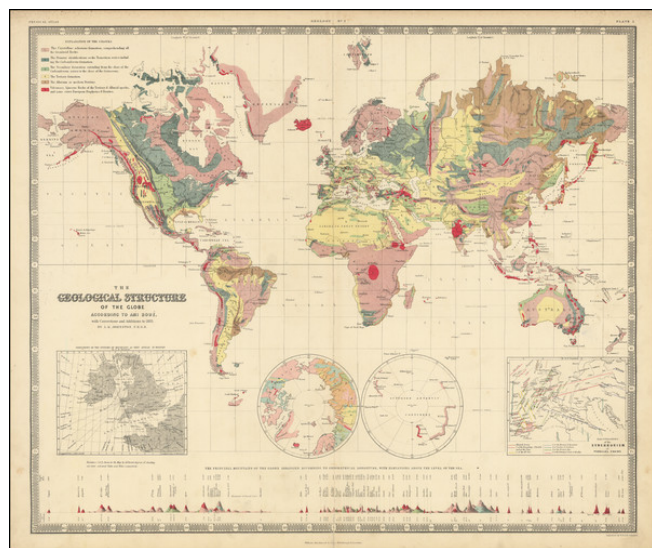
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The Geological Structure of the Globe According to Ami Boué with Corrections and Additions to 1855

Stock#: 98755
Map Maker: Johnston
Date: 1856
Place: Edinburgh & London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 24.25 x 20 inches
Price: \$ 245.00



Description:

Geological Epochs of Earth

Geological map based on Ami Boué's 1845 map *Carte géologique du globe terrestre*. Published for the 1856 *Physical Atlas of Natural Phenomena* by Alexander Keith Johnston, this thematic map presents a scientific view of the world's geology according to established conventions of the mid-19th century. Boué, a founder of the Société géologique de France, described the process now known as granitization in 1824. This knowledge is reflected in elegant hand coloring accompanied by inset maps and illustrations that further expand on the geological information presented.

Immediately one is drawn to the vivid colors that populate the map. These colors reflect in which epoch the rocks that make up a region were created. As this data can vary wildly across a region, the map is quite colorful, particularly in locations that have been studied more extensively such as Europe and North America. Volcanic rock, shown in red, covers all of Iceland as well as more isolated instances such as Giant's Causeway in Northern Ireland.

The geological focus of the map is the more noteworthy aspect, but this chart is still a nice depiction of the world according to European knowledge of the time. Major cities of the world as depicted throughout as are notable mountain ranges such as the recently named Himalayas range. An inset map shows the coastline of the "supposed Antarctic Continent," and bears the names of Antarctic explorers Bellinghausen, Weddel, Biscoe, and Cook.

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Detailed Condition:

Color-lithograph on 19th-century wove paper. Minor foxing. Slight toning and wear, mostly above neatlines.