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(Texas Maps & Alamo View) Memoir Descriptive of the March of a Division of the United States Army, Under the Command of Brigadier General John E. Wool from San Antonio De Bexar, in Texas to Saltillo, in Mexico [caption title:] Report ...

Communicating a Map Showing the Operations of the Army of the United States in Texas and the Adjacent Mexican States on the Rio Grande [with:] Map Showing the Line of March of the Centre Division, Army of Mexico, under the Command of Brigr. Genl.

John E. Wool, from San Antonio de Bexar, Texas to Saltillo, Mexico [and:] Map Showing the Route of the Arkansas Regiment from Shreveport, La. to San Antonio de Bexar Texas

Stock#: 100805 **Map Maker:** Hughes

Date: 1850

Place: Washington, D.C.

Color: Uncolored

Condition: VG

Size: 5.5×9 inches

Price: \$ 4,500.00



Description:

With Maps and Lithograph Plates of Texas

The 1850 edition, after the original 1846 edition, but only this 1850 edition has both maps and all eight plates. This important report on Gen. Wool's Texas operations during the Mexican War includes two Texas maps and 8 fine lithograph plates. The memoir by Capt. George W. Hughes concerns the march from San Antonio to Saltillo in 1846, during the Mexican-American War. This report is indicative of how the work of the Corps of Engineers supplied vital geographical information that assisted the United States after the close of hostilities. William Goetzmann points out in his excellent book, *Exploration and Empire: the Explorer and the Scientist in the Winning of the American West*, that Capt. Hughes's report sketched out



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the entire pattern of inner and outer Texas frontier defenses that was later adopted by the War Department.

Account of Gen. Wool's march from San Antonio to Saltillo in 1846. Includes also a record by Josiah Gregg of the march of the Arkansas Volunteers to San Antonio. Both are illustrated by maps. The plates are mainly of San Antonio and the Alamo - Eberstadt.

Lithographs: The Alamo and others

The lithograph plates are by C. B. Graham, mostly after drawings by Edward Everett (1818-1903), a London-born artist who served in the Mormon War and the Mexican-American War. Together these views offer an important visual record of early mission structures in San Antonio de Bexar and environs, including the Alamo.

- San Antonio de Bexar. 1846.
- Ruins of the Church of the Alamo, San Antonio de Bexar. After a drawing by Edward Everett.
- Interior View of the Church of the Alamo.
- Plan of the Ruins of the Alamo near San Antonio de Bexar. 1846.
- Mission Concepcion, near San Antonio de Bexar.
- Mission of San Jose near Santonio de Bexar.
- Church near Monclova.
- Watch Tower near Monclova.

Rarity

This report is quite rare, particularly clean complete examples with both maps and all the the plates. Howes states that only 250 copies were printed.

Provenance:



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Ted Lusher, prominent Texana collection, with his small circular book label on front free pastedown.

Detailed Condition:

Octavo. Recent half morocco and marbled boards. Light minimal scattered foxing, mostly to text leaves. 67 pages plus 8 lithograph plates and 2 folding maps.