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Stock#: 31741 **Map Maker:** Norie

Date: 1828 (1850)
Place: London
Color: Uncolored

Condition: VG

Size: 84 x 36 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Rare early sea chart of New Zealand, Eastern Australia, and extending north to Include the Marianas and east to the Fiji Islands.



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Includes a number of insets, including Port Jackson, Storm Bay, Port Dalrymple, Macquarie Harbor (Van Diemen's Land), the Bay of Islands (New Zealand), Southern Port of Stewart's Island, S.W. side of the Frith of the Thames (New Zealand), Entrance to Jokeehangar River, the Torres Straits (2 insets), and Port of Apra (Guam).

The present map was used by a Captain Carl Hagström, in command of the Amazonia, on a trip to Australia in 1854 and includes his annotations between Nelson's Channel and the passage south of New Zealand. The map was likely one which was used on a journey from Melbourne to London. Captain Hagström had a bit of a colourful past in Australia. As reported by the Melbourne newspaper The Argus and the edition of Friday, 15 December 1854:

C. Hagström, master of the barque Amazon appeared on Wednesday 13, at the Williamstown police court before Lieutenant Crawford and A.D. Pasco, J.P., to answer the complaint of Mr. Charles Broad, Assistant Immigration Officer, for having no passenger list of the seventy passengers he had on board. In our Monday's issue our readers were informed that Detective Ward recognised one of these, by the name Benjamin Marks, as a prisoner of the Crown illegally at large, whilst perambulating Elizabeth Street. Under these circumstances, the Police Magistrate told Captain Hagström about the provisions of a very salutary act, relative to the influx of criminals into Victoria, and for want of the necessary document fined him £20 and costs. Seventy steerage passengers, by this ship, are now turned loose amongst But despite the hefty fine the good Captain was soon back in business.

This ad appeared in the Argus just two weeks later on 1 January 1855.

The chart is of the utmost rarity and may be a unique survival. We located 2 examples of the upper sheet of the map, but no complete copies.

Detailed Condition:

Blue back chart, printed on 4 sheets. A few repaired tears and some minor soiling