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Brown's Standards and Flags of All Nations

Stock#: 63365
Map Maker: Brown & Son
Date: 1900 circa
Place: Glasgow
Color: Color
Condition: VG
Size: 25.5 x 26.6 inches
Price: \$ 895.00



Description:

Brown's Standards and Flags of All Nations is a detailed reference guide to the flags, coats of arms, signal flags, and maritime signals used internationally around 1901. Prepared by James Brown of Glasgow, this lithograph includes model sailing vessels at its lower portion to aid in the identification of ships at sea. The chart, now considered rare, provides an extensive depiction of maritime communication standards of its time.

Produced in the late Victorian period, the chart reflects the era's maritime activity and the need for standardized communication. The exhaustive categorization of national flags, badges of colonial dependencies, flags of royal yacht clubs, and the International Code of Signals speaks to the pressing need for universal maritime communication. Additionally, the guide's sections on semaphore and Morse signals highlight the important role visual signaling played in maritime navigation.

The chart is particularly notable for its detailed ship portraits, which depict the hull and rigging, sails, and yards of a ship. The bottom portion of the guide includes an additional ten portraits of different sailing ship types.

As a comprehensive resource, *Brown's Standards and Flags of All Nations* serves as an informative snapshot of maritime communication and naval iconography at the turn of the 20th century. Given its rarity on the market, the chart holds particular interest for those studying maritime history.



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Detailed Condition:

Folding into original blue printed covers. Several minor tape repairs.