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## [ Montana ]

**Stock#:** 101156

Map Maker: Rand McNally & Company

Date: 1881Place: ChicagoColor: Condition: VG+

**Size:**  $19 \times 12$  inches

**Price:** \$ 275.00



## **Description:**

Highly detailed map of Montana, showing towns, rivers, railroads, mountains, lakes, etc.

The Rocky Mountains dominate the western part of the state, with the Continental Divide running north-south through the middle. To the east of the Divide, the terrain gradually flattens out into rolling hills and grasslands.

In 1864, gold was discovered in the western part of Montana, leading to a rush of miners and prospectors eager to strike it rich. This influx of people led to the creation of several new settlements and towns, including Helena, Butte, and Virginia City. In 1865, Montana became a territory of the United States, and efforts were made to establish a functioning government and infrastructure. The territory experienced a boom in agriculture and ranching during this time, with many settlers moving in to take advantage of the fertile land and abundant resources.

In the 1870s, Montana continued to grow and develop, with the construction of railroads and the establishment of new towns and settlements.

## **Detailed Condition:**

19th-century wove paper. Minor toning and discoloration at centerfold.