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Carta Esferica de las Costas Y Golfo De Californias Llamado Mar De Cortes Que Comprende desde el Cabo Corrientes hasta el Puerto de San Diego Construida 1825

Stock#: 0920

Map Maker: Arrowsmith

Date: 1825

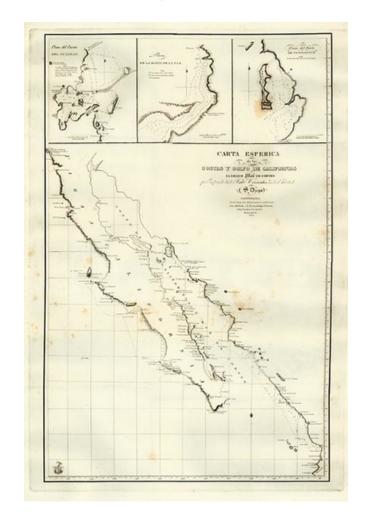
Place: London/Mexico City

Color: Uncolored

Condition: VG

Size: 34×22 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Rare large scale map primarily of Baja California printed in Mexico shortly after the latter's independence from Spain, dedicated to Guadalupe Victoria, the first president of the Mexican Republic. In addition to all of Baja, the map depicts the area northward up to San Diego (with its name in the title) and a good portion of Mexico's northwest coast line. Note the three large insets at the top of then (and perhaps now) important towns, islands and bays, and the Mexican Federal seal at bottom left. Based upon earlier surveys by the Spanish Hydrographical Department in Madrid, it is said that this map was prepared as part of a group of Charts presented by the King of Spain to the President of Mexico, upon the occasion of its independence. Warren Howell was advised by a Mexican book seller in the 1950s that the maps were actually printed by Aaron Arrowsmith in London. The set was compiled in a rare bound format and also



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issued separately. This example was gleaned from the estate of Howell, and is silked along the edges and rolled. 3 to 4 inch margins on all sides. While there are a few tears and holes at the outer margins, the damage is no closer than 2 inches from the printed surface. A bit of soiling and foxing, but generally an exceptional copy of this rare map, which has not appeared in a dealer catalogue in the past 20 years.

Detailed Condition: