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A New General Atlas, Comprising a Complete Set of Maps representing the Grand Divisions of the Globe, Together with the several Empires, Kingdoms and States in the World . . . Compiled from the Best Authorities, and Corrected by the Most Recent Discoveries

Stock#: 101380 Map Maker: Finley

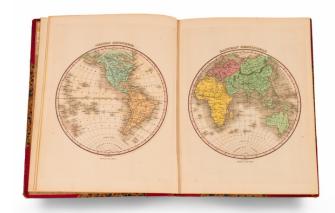
Date: 1829

Place: Philadelphia
Color: Hand Colored

Condition: VG

Size: 10.875 x 14.25 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Scarce late state of Anthony Finley's *New General Atlas*, the most successful commercial atlases published in America in the 1820s.

First issued in 1823 in Philadelphia, Anthony Finley's New General Atlas was by far the best-selling American-published world atlas of the decade, likely surpassing the cumulative sales of all other American-published world atlases combined.

Following in the footsteps of Fielding Lucas, Finley produced a small folio atlas that includes maps of every state, along with other maps of the Americas, Europe, Africa, and Asia. Using high-quality paper and fine watercolors, the atlas dominated the American market.

Between 1823 and 1834, the atlas was updated on an annual basis, with new maps added periodically as new states and territories were admitted to the Union.

Of particular note, Finley's maps of the midwestern and southern states are often among the earliest printed atlas maps of the different states and territories.

Detailed Condition:

Folio. Publisher's ½ straight-grain red sheep over marbled paper boards, with engraved blue paper title label on front cover. Engraved title, engraved list of contents, 58 hand-colored engraved maps, 2 hand-



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colored engraved plates showing comparative heights of mountains and lengths of rivers, one letterpress statistical table. (A few minor mostly marginal stains.)