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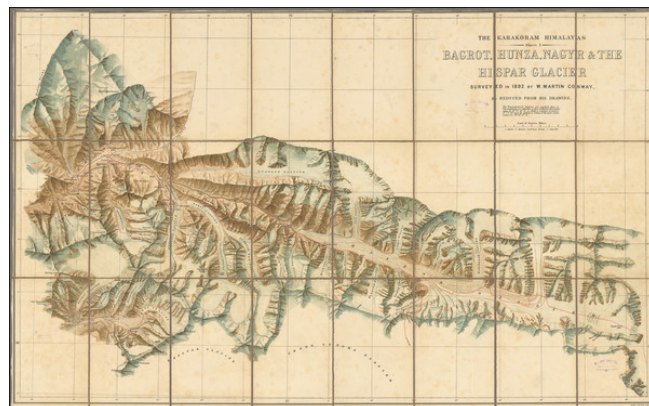
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[Hispar Glacier & Environs - World's Longest Glacial System Outside The Polar Regions] The Karakoram Himalayas Sheet I Bagrot, Hunza, Nagyr & The Hispar Glacier Surveyed in 1892 By W. Martin Conway, & Reduced From His Drawings.

Stock#: 102943
Map Maker: Stanford's Geographical
Establishment
Date: 1892
Place: London
Color: Color
Condition: VG
Size: 36 x 22 inches
Price: \$ 2,400.00



Description:

Important Early Mapping of the Himalayas By An Early British Mountaineer and Explorer

The World's Longest Glacial System Outside The Polar Regions

Fine early map of a portion of the glacial Himalaya Mountains, delineating the formidable around the Hispar Glacier, as charted in 1892 by the distinguished explorer W. Martin Conway. Drawn from Conway's original drawings, presents a richly detailed topography of one of the Earth's most challenging and least accessible landscapes.

The confluence of the Biafo Glacier and the Hispar Glacier creates the world's longest glacial system outside of the polar regions.

In an era when the reaches of the Himalayas were only beginning to be understood by the Western world, Conway's work represented a significant advancement in the geographic and topographic knowledge of the region. Conway led an expedition under the auspices of the Royal Society, the Royal Geographical Society, and the British Association to the Karakoram range. During this expedition, he ascended a subsidiary summit of Baltoro Kangri, initially claiming a world altitude record of 23,000 feet, though this was later revised to 22,322 feet. His mappings of the Karakoram range, specifically the Bagrot, Hunza, and Nagyr valleys alongside the extensive Hispar Glacier, provided valuable insights into the geography and potential routes through this monumental mountain range.

The map's visual representation is striking, with shaded relief depicting the rugged mountainscape, and



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contour lines conveying the formidable elevations. This detailed cartographic work is not only a testament to the skill of its creator but also serves as a historical record of the landscape as it was perceived at the turn of the century. The use of color and meticulous attention to topographical detail underscore the daunting nature of the Himalayan environment.

This document's significance is amplified by its role in the broader historical context of exploration. The late 19th century witnessed the convergence of scientific expeditions and imperial ambitions, and Conway's surveys were instrumental in the quest to comprehend and navigate the challenging frontiers of the British Empire. It encapsulates the spirit of an age that sought to document and understand the natural world through empirical observation and scientific technique.

Detailed Condition:

Segmented and laid on linen, as issued.