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A New Map of Nebraska, Kansas, New Mexico And Indian Territories [Rare First State!]

Stock#: 16028
Map Maker: Desilver
Date: 1855
Place: Philadelphia
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 16 x 13 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Rare first state of Charles Desilver's map of the region west of the Mississippi River to west of the Rocky Mountains, issued at the end of 1855, still using the old decorative border style characteristic of Cowpertherwait's maps. Desilver's mid-continent map is a remarkably unique work for the time period. The map is rich with early immigrant information, Indian details, forts, roads, Indian Treaty notes, early explorers routes, Indian Battle grounds, Indian Reservations, trading posts and a host of other excellent notes and features. The map actually has its own symbol for trading posts, a rare appearance on a map of the period. This early edition includes fewer counties in New Mexico and a few other differences than the more common Desilver editions, issued in 1856 and after. Bears the date 1850, although not issued until 5 years later. This map rarely appears on the market, as Desilver's atlas was not as widely distributed as others in the run and this format appears not to have been included in all additions. Only the second time in 16 years that we have had this map. Vibrant full color example.

Detailed Condition: