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**New Zealand from Surveys in H.M. Ships Acheron & Pandora Captn. J.L. Stokes,
Commdrs. B. Drury and G.H. Richards . . . Royal Navy, 1848-1855 . . . 1872**

Stock#: 19466
Map Maker: British Admiralty
Date: 1872
Place: London
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 37 x 24 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Important large format map of New Zealand, which incorporates the first major survey of the coast of New Zealand and updated details regarding the topography of the interior of the islands, with the original chart seller's plate on the verso (George T. Chapman of Auckland).

The first official survey of the New Zealand coastline was undertaken between 1848 and 1855, under the direction of Captain J. Stokes of the Royal Navy (1848-1852) and Commander B. Drury (1852-1855). Prior to this date, the region had not been systematically charted since Captain James Cook's exploratory voyages. The present map incorporates the results of these surveys, as well as corrections published in



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1858 and 1861 by J.D.Potter.

While early editions of the map published after 1861 included coastal detail, this later edition of 1872 is the earliest example we have located which includes significant detail in the interior parts. A comparison of this edition to the chart in the collection of the National Library of Australia shows (Map Rm 2213) shows extensive changes. The National Library of Australia also holds an example which is corrected to October 1872 (which is dated by NLA as 1874). The example we offer pre-dates the NLA 1874 edition, as it lacks the Oct 1872 notation and reflects that it is only updated to 1868.

Detailed Condition:

Minor soiling and dampstaining, but generally a very nice example. A few minor tears in the margins, just touching the printed image.