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United States of Nth America -- Carte des Etats-Unis De L'Amerique Septentrionale Copiee et Gravee sure celle D'Arrowsmith . . . 1808 [Northwestern Sheet]

Stock#: 19854 Map Maker: Tardieu

Date: 1808 Place: Paris

Color: Hand Colored

Condition: VG

Size: 27 x 23.5 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Northwestern sheet from the second edition of Tardieu's rare 4-sheet map of the United States, extending from the Upper Mississippi River Valley to Michigan Territory and Western Ohio.

The map is a landmark of American Cartography prior to Lewis & Clark. The interior detail of the trans-Mississippi west was compiled largely from accounts supplied by Native Americans to Arrowsmith by the Hudson's Bay Company. This updated edition is significantly revised from the 1802 edition. The most noteworthy change is the addition of Michigan Territory, which had been organized in June 1805, making this one of the earliest appearances of Michigan Territory on a printed map. The map also names Indiana and notes the early township surveys in Ohio. The detail in the Upper Mississippi River Valley is also of note.

Tardieu's map was originally taken from the true first state of Arrowsmith's map of the United States, which has been completely re-engraved by Tardieu and periodically updated over the next 10+ years. The map reflects the finer engraving skills of this Paris engraver. Tardieu's map is rare, so much so that a number of bibliographers have missed the existence of the several editions of the map, each of which is significantly revised from earlier editions.

Detailed Condition:

Dissected and laid on linen, as issued.

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