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A Map of the United States of North America Drawn from a number of Critical Researches. By Aaron Arrowsmith, Geographer ... No. 10 Soho Square

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Stock#: 22292

Map Maker: Arrowsmith

Date: 1802 (1808)
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored

Condition: VG

Size: 55.5 x 48 inches

Price: SOLD

Description:

The second edition of this landmark map of the United States, which includes substantial cartographic updates from the first edition.

A tremendous 4 sheet map, uncut and laid on original linen, and illustrating in great detail the extent of the United States as known immediately prior to Lewis & Clark's explorations to the west. 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. The course of the Missouri River delineated on the map prompted Lewis and Clark to plot their course along the Missouri River, as it appeared to be the most direct route to the Pacific. The second ed. Includes substantial revisions at the mouth of the Mississippi and in Florida. Offered here in the third state, following Arrowsmith's move to No. 10 Soho Square in 1808.

The example offered is an unusually fine example in the four original sheets and on the original linen, unfolded. It is this edition of the map that is often referred to as the Lewis & Clark edition, as it was the edition of the map which they consulted prior to embarking on landmark transcontinental trip. Uncut examples are rare on the market, especially on the original linen.

Detailed Condition:

On 4 linen sheets, unjoined and unfolded.