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City of San Francisco and its Vicinity California. From a plane table survey by A.F. Rogers Sub-assistant. . . . 1857

Stock#: 32303mb
Map Maker: United States Coast Survey
Date: 1857
Place: Washington, D.C.
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 34.5 x 23.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Extremely rare first edition of the US Coast Survey's map of the City of San Francisco and Environs.

The 1857 edition of the Coast Survey map of San Francisco marked a significant improvement in the USCS's mapping of San Francisco. Prepared by A.F. Rogers, it captured the tremendous growth of the City, locating wharves,, streets, buildings, roads, topographical features and places such as the Union Race Course and Pioneer Race Course west of the City. The map marked a significant move forward in the scientific mapping of the City and would be revised again later in 1857 to include soundings in the harbor and other offshore details.

While first issued and corrected in 1857, the map was not included in any of the annual reports until a revised edition, dated 1859, was issued. As noted by Rumsey, the chart was "First issued in 1857, with another edition issued later in 1857 that differs from the earlier 1857 edition and is apparently the same as this 1859 edition (Vogdes). " The first edition does not include soundings, has a shorter "note" in the top right corner, and does not include the "Blossom Rock Buoy" which appears below the table. It also does not include the "hydrography by Lieut. R.M. Cuyler," which was added to the later editions.

This first edition is of the utmost rarity. Neither of the 1857 editions was ever published in the regular annual Coast Survey reports. We have been unable to locate another example either of the 1857 editions being offered for sale in AMPR or at auction. Not in Rumsey or AMPR.

OCLC locates only 3 copies of this 1857 edition at the San Francisco National Maritime Museum, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee (ex-US Geographical Society copy) and the British Library.



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Detailed Condition:

Printed on thick paper and never folded. Minor discoloration at left side and minor foxing.