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Map of Cochise County Arizona Territory

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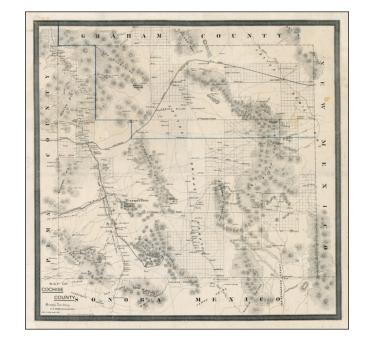
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Date: 1885 circa
Place: Chicago
Color: Uncolored

Condition: VG

Size: 25 x 25 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Highly detailed map of Cochise County, compiled H.C. Howe, Cochise County Surveyor and published by Rand McNally.

The present map is almost certainly the first printed map of Cochise County, then a booming mining and ranching area in Arizona Territory, published only a few years after the Gunfight at the OK Corral, in Tombstone.

At the time of the publication of the map, Tombstone as the largest town and the County Seat of the newly formed county, which was adjacent to the Tombstone Mining District. Only three railroads are shown, the Southern Pacific Railroad, The Sonora Railroad and the Arizona & Southeastern Railroad, whose line extended from Benson and Fairbanks to Warren and the Bisbee MIning District.

The map also shows several early Mexican And Grants. The Harford Mining District, Winchester Mining District, California Mining District, and Swissholm Mining District, Turquois Mining District are located. Fort Bowie is shown, as is a Customs House south of the Border in Sonora, which would likely later become the Naco Customs House (not shown on the map). There are a remarkable number of small settlements, ranches and springs located on the map, given that the entire population of the County in 1890 was about 7,000 residents.



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Cochise County was created on February 1, 1881, from the Eastern portion of Pima County. The present map would appear to be the only map of Cochise County published prior to 1900, with the next earliest map of the county being published in 1904 in Tombstone.

OCLC locate two examples of the map, one in the Arizona Historical Society Collection and the other at the University of Arizona, which dates the map as "1880-1890?").

Detailed Condition:

Flattened and archivally backed to support old folds and some minor tears