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Sonora From The North . . . May, 1853

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Map Maker: Britton & Rey

Date: 1853

Place: San Francisco Color: Uncolored

Condition: VG

Size: 10×7.5 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Early lettersheet birds eye view of the town of Sonora, California published by G.S. Wells in Sonora, California and engraved in stone by George H. Goddard, who would go on to become one of California's most important early surveyors.

This classic scene of Sonora in 1853 exemplifies the gold rush in many ways. The hills have been stripped of most of the trees. The town had one long, wide dirt street with many prominent buildings. Sonora was the center of the "southern mines." It was the most important of the southern gold rush communities and as such, acted as the central hub of commerce.

The view provides one of the earliest surviving images of this then important Gold Rush town and is very scarce on the market.

Detailed Condition:

Minor foxing and soiling.