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## [Oran and Arzew, Algeria] Carte des Attérages d'Oran et d'Arzeu Levée en 1833.

**Stock#:** 35008  
**Map Maker:** Depot de la Marine  
**Date:** 1835  
**Place:** Paris  
**Color:** Uncolored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 16 x 22 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

A rare example of the first French scientific coastal survey of the western Algerian coastline, including the harbors of Oran to Arzew.

This fine chart embraces the western Mediterranean coastline of Algeria, including the important ports of Oran (Algeria's second-largest city) and Arzew. In 1830, France placed its colonial claim upon Algeria and government officials immediately realized that obtaining advanced geographic and hydrographic intelligence on the country was an imperative.

In 1831, Lieutenant Auguste Bérard, the master of the brig La Lorient and the hydrographer Louis Urbain Dortet de Tessen were given the vital task of charting the coastlines of Algeria. The chart is based on exacting trigonometric surveys and shows coastal topography in delicate relief, as well as numerous bathymetric soundings. It remained the authoritative chart of these waters for several decades.

This particular example is augmented by contemporary manuscript mariners' annotations, located towards the right side.

This chart is scarce, we are not aware of an example appearing on the market in the last 25 years.

### Detailed Condition:

Light foxing, subtle horizontal crease, augmented by contemporary manuscript annotations located towards right side.