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South Africa By Henry Hall R.E.D.

Stock#: 41991
Map Maker: Stanford
Date: 1860 circa
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 28 x 15.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Important early map of South Africa, drawn from Henry Hall's map of 1856.

Highly detailed map of South Africa, showing towns, rivers, roads, mountains, lakes and a host of other information.

Henry Hall (1815-1882) was born in Dublin in 1815 and moved to Cape Colony in 1842, in the employ of the British Government Service, a Foreman of Works in the Royal Engineer Department. Hall served on the Eastern Frontier during the Frontier Wars of 1846 and 1851-52. In 1852 he returned to England briefly, but returned to the Cape Colony until 1860.

Henry Hall's contribution to the Cartographic history of South Africa was described first by South African Journalist S.A. Rochlin in 1962 and later in a comprehensive paper written by Elri Liebenberg, for the International Symposium entitled "Old Worlds-New Worlds": The History of Colonial Cartography 1750-1950 (Utrecht University, August 2006).

A link to the Liebenberg article can be found below. Liebenberg notes:

In 1856 Stanford's Geographical Establishment in London published Henry Hall's comprehensive Map of the Eastern Frontier of the Colony of the Cape Good Hope. Compiled from local authoritative information only, this map not only surpassed its predecessors in scale and completeness, but also achieved a marked degree of accuracy. In 1857, Hall became the first resident cartographer to publish a map of the entire African region south of 16°S. Entitled South Africa, this map was the first of its kind ever to be produced in South Africa as not only the compilation, but also the engraving, printing, colouring and mounting were undertaken locally. In 1859 Stanford's published two additional maps under Hall's name: one of the subcontinent south of 25° 30'S entitled South Africa, and another entitled Map of South Eastern Africa



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from Algoa to Delagoa Bay.

In spite of Henry Hall's rightful claim to fame as South Africa's foremost pioneer cartographer, little has been published on his cartographical work. This paper discusses his contribution to South African geography and cartography by reviewing his maps against the background of the available topographical information and the political situation of the day. Attention is given to his source material; his hitherto little known manuscript maps of South Africa in the British National Archives (BNA) and Cape Archives Repository (CAR); the significance of his published maps and his textbook on the geography of South Africa; his supervision of Thomas Baines' 1876 Map of the Goldfields of South Eastern Africa and his involvement with the official 1876 Map of the Cape of Good Hope and some divisional maps of the southwestern Cape compiled by the Surveyor-General.

www.icahistcarto.org/PDF/Liebenberg_Elri_-_The_Cartography_of_Henry_Hall.pdf

Detailed Condition:

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