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Map of Mexico, Including Yucatan & Upper California, exhibiting The Chief Cities And Towns, The Principal Travelling Routes &c . . . 1847

Stock#: 45968
Map Maker: Mitchell
Date: 1847
Place: Philadelphia
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 23 x 19 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Maximum Texas--Mitchell's Map of Texas, Mexico and the Southwestern United States

Striking example of S.A. Mitchell's map of Upper California, Texas, Mexico and the Southwest, which includes the Spanish Trail, Trader's Route to Independence and several other important western routes.

The map was originally prepared in 1846 to illustrate the progress of the Mexican American War and presents one of the most striking images of Texas, during the period between its joining the United States in 1845 and becoming a state in 1850.

Six battle fields are illustrated by flags including Alamo, San Jacinto, Palo Alto, Resaca de la Palma, Buena Vista, and Monterey. The legend of the inset map illustrates gun batteries and forts. Below the inset a legend explains the dates of various battles and distances by road to Mexican cities.

Mitchell's maps was perhaps the most popular of the Mexican-American War maps, covering Mexico including California and Baja. Texas had just attained its statehood in 1846 and is prominently outlined in red in its "Stovepipe" configuration. Dallas is not yet shown, appearing for the first time on a printed map in 1848.

In California, The Great Spanish Trail to Santa Fe is prominently shown, as is Sutter's New Helvetia, which would be the site of the discovery of gold the following year in 1848.



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Detailed Condition:

Minor soiling and foxing.