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## Hydrographic Map of the Mountain Formation of North America

**Stock#:** 46447  
**Map Maker:** Gilpin  
**Date:** 1860  
**Place:** Philadelphia  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 8 x 11.5 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

Fine example of Gilpin's fascinating map of the Mountainous Regions of North America, from his rare *The Central Gold region: The Grain, Pastoral and Gold Regions of North America. With some new views of its physical geography; and observations on the Pacific Railroad*, published in 1860, in Philadelphia.

The map illustrates the various "Mountain Basins" of the West, illustrating the drainage of mountain rivers into each basin, including

- Fraser Basin
- Columbia Basin
- Great Mountain Basin of High California
- Colorado Basin



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- Basin of the Rio Del Norte
- Basin of the Bolson De Mapimi
- Basin of Mexico

William Gilpin was one of the most important men in early Colorado History. Gilpin was a land speculator, promotor, and important political figure, serving as the first Governor of Colorado. He was an eloquent booster of western settlement, but he also originated a concept that was foundational to economic geography.

**Detailed Condition:**