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The Spanish Americas on the Panama Mail Steamship Company's Palatial Liners Especially Designed for Comfortable Cruising in the Tropics

Stock#: 50236
Map Maker: Godwin
Date: 1928
Place: San Francisco
Color: Color
Condition: VG
Size: 27 x 32 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Scarce pictorial map illustrating the routes of the Panama Mail Steam Ship Company, by Harrison Godwin.

The map provides a marvelous historical and whimsical image of North America, Central America and the northern part of South America, extending to the Colombian Coastline.

The illustrations depict the adventures of one of the passengers, on his transit from San Francisco to New York, including an excursion through Guatemala, watching a cockfight, meeting new friends on board the steamship, and exotic scenes in Central America and the Caribbean.

A second series of vignettes focuses on the historical elements of the map, including Uncle Sam purchasing the Canal Zone from Colombia, Balboa's crossing the Isthmus to see the Pacific for the first time in 1513, and other early historical facts. There are also vignettes showing the indigenous peoples, products and touristic facts about Central America.

In North America, there are a number of other whimsical images, including an armed robbery in Chicago. Inset maps detail a two day excursion in Guatemala and Charles 'Lindy' Lindbergh's 1927-28 good-will tour through Latin America. At the center of the map a large inset details the luxurious accommodations available on board the Panama Mail Steamship. -

This remarkable work is perhaps the rarest of Godwin's works and quite possibly the most lively.



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Detailed Condition:

Evidence of some mis-folding along the top.