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Map of the Western Territory &c.

Stock#: 61571
Map Maker: Hood
Date: 1834
Place: Washington
Color: Outline Color
Condition: Good
Size: 17 x 18 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Washington Hood's Map of Western Territory.

Important early map of Indian Territory and the first map by Washington Hood, which accompanied Horace Everett's *Regulating The Indian Department...*

The map extends from Santa Fe, New Mexico and the Yellowstone River in the west, to the Mississippi River, Ft. Smith and Ft. Towson, focusing on the regions occupied by the Indians relocated from the east.

Everett's important report on the Indians and the conditions in the country west of the Missouri, accompanied three House Bills to provide for the organization of the Dept. of Indian Affairs. Wheat described as a highly credible performance, showing the country north of the Red River to Nebraska, and west from the Ozarks to Santa Fe.

Wheat comments that the map "not only showed the various Indian Land assignments, by tribes, west of the Arkansas and Missouri, following McCoy, but its maker used Brown's Santa Fe trail material and delineated the country to the front wall of the Rockies and Santa Fe with considerable accuracy. The Black Hills run almost north and south. One curious point is that only the Spanish Peaks and "Larimer's" (Laramie) Peak (near the North Fork of the Platte) are shown in the mountains. It is supposed that Isaac McCoy assisted in the making of this map. He had offered advice to Humphrey Phelps and his manuscript



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map that has been described apparently had considerable "influence."

Curiously, Texan territory is labeled "Spanish Territory" (rather than Mexican), which was over a decade out of date by the point the map was published.

Detailed Condition:

Some foxing on the map. Sold bound with a volume of U.S. House Reports, from the Library of the U.S. House of Representatives with its label on the front cover. Deaccessioned from the Library of Congress with a surplus stamp on the first blank. Not collated; sold as a map.