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### A General Chart of the World on Mercator's Projection, exhibiting all the New Discoveries and the Tracks of the different Circum-Navigators.

**Stock#:** 67563  
**Map Maker:** Norman  
**Date:** 1797  
**Place:** Boston  
**Color:** Uncolored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 17.5 x 13 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



#### Description:

#### ***An 18th century American Map of the World Showing the "Corean Sea" and "Fou Sanc".***

A nice example of John Norman's map of the World on Mercator's Projection, which appeared in the rare Boston edition of Malham's *Naval Gazetteer*.

The present map is one of the few maps of the World published in America prior to 1800.

This chart of the world outlines the tracks of Captain Cook on his three major voyages of exploration. A key at the bottom identifies the tracks of the *Endeavour* from 1768-71, the *Resolution* and *Adventure* from 1772-75, and the *Resolution* and *Discovery* from 1776-80. The voyage of the *HMS Racehorse* and *HMS Carcass*, commanded by Constantine John Phipps in 1773, is also shown, depicting his attempt at finding a northwest passage from the Atlantic Ocean to the Pacific Ocean. In North America, the northwest coast is not yet fully delineated (labeling much of the coast "Fou Sanc"), and a River of the West is shown extending from Nootka Sound. California is labeled New Albion. Australia is named New Holland with numerous new discoveries by Cook. Diemens Land is still connected to the mainland, as this chart was published just a few years prior to the discovery of Bass Strait by George Bass and Matthew Flinders. There is no sign of Antarctica, except for Sandwich Land at the 60th Parallel.

The Missouri River is incorrectly labeled "Ohio R.", this in addition to the correctly-named Ohio River.

John Norman (1748-1817) was an engraver and publisher in Boston, Massachusetts. Norman moved from



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London to Philadelphia in 1774, at which time he advertised his services as an architect and landscape engraver. He went to Boston in about 1780. His separately issued sea charts are considered among the most important cartographic works published in America in the 18th century.

**Detailed Condition:**

Minor soiling.