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**Carte Encyprototype, de l' Amerique Septentrionale . . . 1815 Revue & Augmentee . . . Avril
1819**

Stock#: 69019
Map Maker: Brué
Date: 1819
Place: Paris
Color: Outline Color
Condition: VG+
Size: 28 x 21.5 inches
Price: \$ 875.00



Description:

Single-Sheet Adams-Onís Treaty Edition of Brué's Important Map of North America

Fine example of Brué's impressive map of North America, reduced from four-sheets to one, and published only two months after the signing of the Adams-Onís Treaty in February 1819. It is one of the first depictions of the new boundaries of the United States.

The map is a remarkable amalgam of the latest cartographic information, reflecting the detailed effort of its publisher to compile information from the recent expeditions of Lewis and Clark, Zebulon Pike, Wilson Price Hunt, Robert Stuart, and others.

The map featured in Brué's best-known project, *Atlas universal de géographie physique, politique, ancienne et moderne*.

The map simultaneously shows areas of intense settlement, marked by the density of text and features, and those that were still being explored, namely the North American West, northern Texas, and the far north, including Labrador, Greenland, and Russian America. The Arctic has unfinished lines between land and sea—Greenland and Baffin Bay are not clearly differentiated, nor is Northern Canada separate from the Arctic Sea—and this area would be the main focus of European and American exploration in the nineteenth century, along with the interior of Africa.



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Although not included on this single-sheet edition, a text box on the four-sheet map lists the sources with which Brué compiled the map. They included maps and charts from the Krusenstern expedition (first Russian circumnavigation, 1803-1806) for Russian America, from the official account of the Vancouver expeditions for the Pacific Northwest, from the accounts of Zebulon Pike and Alexander von Humboldt for the Spanish possessions, the Spanish Hydrographic Office and Thomas Jefferys for the Antilles; by Samuel Holland, the Arrowsmiths, and many others for the United States; from the English edition of the Lewis and Clark expedition for the Louisiana Territory; by Alexander Dalrymple, Samuel Hearn, Alexander Mackenzie, and others for British Canada; and by the Dépôt de la Marine, Etienne de Herbin de Halle, and Médéric Louis Élie Moreau de Saint-Méry for Saint Domingue.

Detailed Condition: