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A New Map of Texas, Oregon and California with the Regions adjoining Compiled from the most recent authorities...1846 [Rare Variant edition!]

Stock#: 7172 Map Maker: Mitchell

Date: 1846

Place: Philadephia Color: Hand Colored

Condition: VG

Size: $20 \times 20 \text{ inches}$

Price: SOLD



Description:

Rare edition of Mitchell's seminal map of Texas and the West, bound into A General View of the United States.... The region covered by the map was of particular interest in 1846 because of two recent and related events. In 1845, Texas had been admitted to the Union, which prompted Mexico, in 1846, to invade Texas, thus precipitating the U.S.-Mexican war. General curiosity about the new state and interest in the war led to Mitchell's timely map becoming quite popular. As stated in the "Accompaniment to Mitchell's new map of Texas, Oregon and California...," the most common source of this map, Mitchell used the latest and best sources for the map, including Arrowsmith's 1841 map of Texas, Fremont's and Emory's maps of their explorations in the region, data from the Lewis & Clark expedition, Nicollet's map of the region between the Mississippi and the Missouri, Wilkes map of Oregon. The map shows Texas claims to the Upper Rio Grande in present day New Mexico. These claims were eventually given up as part of the Great Compromise of 1850, in exchange for in return for federal assumption of Texas' public debt. This example is bound into A General View of the United States...a 128 page booklet published by Mitchell. The map's presence in this work is unrecorded, although we are aware of one other example in this format. Rare variant of one of the most influential maps in Western American History. Martin & Martin 36; Wheat 520.



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