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New-York. Drawn & Published by David H. Burr.

Stock#: 71949 **Map Maker:** Burr

Date: 1836
Place: New York
Color: Hand Colored

Condition: VG+

Size: 12 x 10.5 inches

Price: \$ 145.00



Description:

Striking full hand-color example of the first edition David Burr's map of New York, which appeared in his *Universal Atlas*, first issued in 1836.

A highly detailed map, owing undoubtedly to Burr's prior *New York Atlas* and separate county pocket maps, which he had begun publishing in the 1820s. Shows towns, rivers, roads, railroads, canals, lakes, islands, and substantial other detail. Large inset of Long Island and the New York City area. One of the scarcest atlas maps of New York issued during the period. Burr's *Atlas* was perhaps the most elegant American commercially published atlas of its time, utilizing wonderful wash colors and elegant engraving style. Burr studied under Simeon DeWitt in New York. His first atlas was an Atlas of New York State, the second state atlas to be issued in the US (after Mills Atlas of South Carolina in 1826).

In the 1830s, Burr served as topographer for the US Post Office, producing a series of rare and highly sought after large format state maps during this period. Later, he was appointed as the Geographer of the House of Representatives, where he served during the later part of the 1830s. Burr is widely regarded as one of the most important names in American Cartographic history.

Detailed Condition: