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## A New Map of Mexico and Adjacent Provinces Compiled from Original Documents. By A Arrowsmith. 1810.

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## Description:

Second edition of Arrowsmith's Landmark Map of Texas, Upper California and the Southwest, after the first editon issued in the same year.

Arrowsmith's map was the first to report the discoveries of Pike and Humboldt, having been issued prior to the official accounts of these two explorers. While the map draws from the work of Humboldt extensively (and Humboldt accused Arrowsmith of plagerism), the map shows substantial improvements over the Humboldt map in several areas.

Arrowsmith drew on Vancouver's charts for his treatment of the California Coastline, Pike's accounts for the mapping of Texas and the Brazos and Guadalupe River regions and other rivers explored by Pike, and Humboldt's treatment of the Rocky Mountain regions and the Gulf Coast.

The two states of the map are most easily distinguished by the treatment of the Texas-Louisiana Boundary. The first limited the size of Texas to the Sabine River, while the second follows the official Spanish position, as reported by Humboldt, extending the boundary eastward to the Mermento River.

Arrowsmith's map of Mexico has widely gained acceptance as the most influential of all regional maps from this time period, a landmark in the Cartographic History of Texas and the Southwest, and a cornerstone map in American Cartographic History.

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