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**Galveston Entrance Texas From a Trigonometrical Survey Under the Direction of A.D.
Bache . . . 1853**

Stock#: 89559
Map Maker: United States Coast Survey
Date: 1853 (printed ca. 1890)
Place: Washington
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 17 x 14.5 inches
Price: \$ 375.00



Description:

Fine example of this scarce US Coast Survey chart of the Entrance to Galveston Harbor.

The map shows Galveston and vicinity, along with the location of a number of ship wrecks, buoys, Fort Point and neighboring islands.

The map gives a sense of Galveston's tenuous environmental position at the end of the 19th century. The low lying sand-and-wetland nature of Galveston Island would leave the city susceptible to storm surge, which, at the beginning of the 20th century, would culminate in what is still the worst natural disaster in U.S. history, by loss of life.

The chart features a lengthy set of sailing directions, note, tidal observations, current notes, etc.

Detailed Condition:

Thick paper issue. Foxing, especially gathered around some of the printed area.