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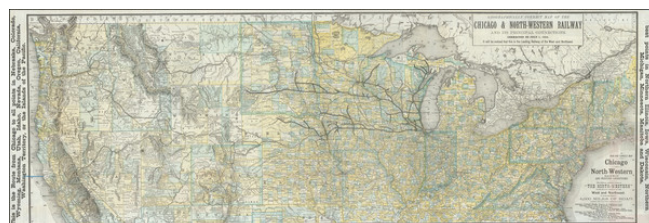
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A New and Correct Map of the Chicago and North-Western Railway and Western Connections.

Stock#: 95371
Map Maker: Rand McNally & Company
Date: 1883
Place: Chicago
Color: Color
Condition: VG+
Size: 46.5 x 15 inches
Price: \$ 675.00



Description:

The *Geographically Correct Map of the Chicago & North-Western Railway and Its Principal Connections* is an 1883 railroad map that traces the network of the North-Western railway, one of the leading railways of the West and Northwest. Printed by Rand, McNally & Co. in Chicago, this railroad map not only illustrates the transportation web of its era but also provides a snapshot into the socio-economic milieu of late 19th-century America.

The Chicago & North-Western Railway, known popularly as "The North-Western," held a prominent position in the American West and Northwest. Operating nearly 4,000 miles of road, it formed major through lines connecting various important urban centers and regions, including Denver, California, Southern Dakota, Des Moines, Freeport, Dubuque, St. Paul, Minneapolis, La Crosse, Winona, Central Dakota, Pierre, Deadwood, Milwaukee, Marquette, Green Bay, and Lake Superior.

This map captures the extensive reach of the North-Western, but it also brings to light the importance of these railway lines in linking disparate parts of the country, facilitating trade, migration, and cultural exchange. By showcasing the critical connections between these urban centers, the map serves as a reminder of the railway's central role in structuring the geographical and socio-economic landscape of the time.

What distinguishes this map is its dual-sided print. The recto exhibits a color-printed map of the northern United States, while the verso features a plethora of illustrations, tables, and a dedicated map for tourist routes to Yosemite. This juxtaposition of functional railway lines with tourist routes reflects the increasing leisure travel of the period, and the rising popularity of destinations like Yosemite.

Consequently, the *Geographically Correct Map of the Chicago & North-Western Railway and Its Principal*



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Connections serves not only as a navigational tool but also as a comprehensive depiction of the interconnectedness of 19th-century America, embodying both the daily travel routines and the emerging tourism trends of the era.

Rarity

The map is very rare. OCLC locates one example of the editions in 1879, 1880 and 1884.

Detailed Condition:

Folding map. Flattened. Printed on both sides.