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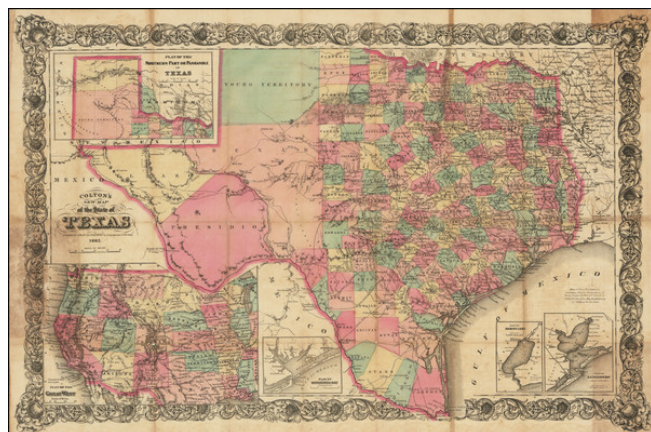
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Colton's New Map of the State of Texas . . . 1867

Stock#: 98225
Map Maker: Colton
Date: 1867
Place: New York
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: Good
Size: 26.4 x 17 inches
Price: \$ 3,500.00



Description:

Rare separately published map of Texas, issued by GW & CB Colton in 1867.

While the map appears at first look to be similar to the atlas maps by Colton from this period, there are several noteworthy differences:

- At the top left, the Panhandle inset is much larger.
- The map includes a third inset of Matagorda Bay.
- Most notable is the large inset Plan of the Great West, with a note above title showing "Proposed R.Rs. to the Pacific."

The map would seem to have been issued in anticipation of the completion of the Transcontinental Railroad. Completed in 1869, by 1867, first railroad line across the United States was underway, as illustrated by the inset, which shows train lines with track hachuring extending westward from Omaha and Ft. Leavenworth. Notably, lines are also shown starting in St. Louis and crossing the west in a more southerly rote, via Santa Fe and the El Paso area and each connecting to Los Angeles. Several northern lines from St. Paul to Olympia Washington and Umpqua City, Oregon are shown, via Boise and Walla Walla.

The proposed Western routes of the railroad are quite extensive and in some cases, quite unusual.

Rarity

This separately published example is very rare. It would later be used for *Richardson's Texas Almanac* from about 1867 to 1870.



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Detailed Condition:

Original hand-color. Removed from boards, which are incomplete. Folds expertly reinforced. Some staining.