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**Carey's General Atlas, Improved and Enlarged: Being a Collection of Maps of the World  
and Quarters, Their Principal Empires, Kingdoms, &c.**

**Stock#:** Carey1814  
**Map Maker:** Carey  
  
**Date:** 1814  
**Place:** Philadelphia  
**Color:** Outline Color  
**Condition:** Good  
**Size:**  
  
**Price:** SOLD



**Description:**

***The First American Atlas with Publisher's Hand-Coloring.***

Folio (17 x 11.5 inches). Contemporary quarter red roan over brown paper boards. 58 engraved maps, most of which double-page, all of which in publisher's outline hand-color.

This edition Carey's *General Atlas* issues in a new set of plates, replacing those in use since 1794-'96 in his *American Atlas*, *General Atlas for Guthrie's Geography*, and *General Atlas*.

Rumsey (4577) says of the 1814 edition:

*The first atlas made in the United States to employ standard color on the maps; while the Carey 1795 American Atlas and the Carey 1811 General Atlas list color as an option on the title page, we have never seen any copies of a pre 1814 Carey atlas with original color - they may exist, but would be rare - color was first employed as standard in this 1814 edition - all copies that we have seen have been colored. This edition is almost entirely new, with most of the maps reengraved. The 1804 edition before this was essentially the same as the 1795 first edition. The preface is dated March 17th, 1814. This edition should probably be called the second edition even though Carey does not label it as such, because Carey calls the 1818 edition the third edition. The Map of the United States is an updated copy of the U.S. map engraved by Henry Tanner that appeared in the first edition of Melish's *Travels In the United States*, published in 1812. This issue is late 1814. See our early 1814 for differences. Bound in quarter leather, brown paper covered boards.*



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**Detailed Condition:**

First and last leaves creased, as almost always the case. Two clean marginal tears on plate 39 (Russian Empire).