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Victorian map of the British Empire

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British Empire Throughout the World Exhibited in One View.

Edinburgh: A. Fullarton, c.1865. Lithographic map, printed in colours and hand-finished. Printed area 440 x 540mm.

£1,100

The archetypal map of the British Empire, with vast swathes of the world marked in red. Although the Empire had yet to reach its zenith, there are colonies on every continent. Surrounding the map are figures representing the various peoples of the empire, arranged in five groups: 'Australian Settlers and Natives'; 'North Americans white and copper coloured'; 'Natives of British Asia and of East Indian Islands'; 'Natives of British Empire in Europe'; & 'Cape Colony and Southern Africa'.

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