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AN EARLY AMERICAN GEOLOGICAL PUBLICATION WITH A LANDMARK MAP OF THE USA

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Outline of the Geology of the Globe, and of the United States in Particular: with Two Geological Maps, and Sketches of Characteristic American Fossils. By Edward Hitchcock, D.D., L.L.D., President of Amhearst College, and Professor of Natural Theology and Geology.

Cartographer HITCHCOCK, Edward.

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DESCRIPTION:

An important American geological text book, discussing the geology of the world but containing 'A Geological Map of the United States and Canada', described by David Rumsey as ''one of the earliest geological maps to cover both countries, coast to coast''. The second map in 'Outline of the Geology of the Globe', on Mercator's Projection..

Edward Hitchcock (1793-1864), was Professor of Chemistry and Natural History at Amherst College from 1825 to 1845, then Professor of Natural Theology and Geology from 1845 until his death in 1864, also serving as Amhearst's third Prsident, 1845-54. Having been ordained as a Congregationalist pastor he attempted to reconcile modern discoveries with the Bible, while still rejecting evolution in favour of gap creationism.

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