



## Rare Books, Maps, Manuscripts & Photographs (562)

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### Lot 39

**Estimate:** £3000 - £5000 + Fees

#### 12" TERRESTRIAL GLOBE ADDISON, J[OHN]

A New Edition of D. Adam's Terrestrial Globe, Correctly laid down according to the best Observations & Latest Discoveries with the Tracks of all the Circumnavigators up to Oct. 1st 1818, by J. Addison, Geographer London. Made & Sold by J. Addison & Co., no 9 Skinners Street Snow Hill, [c.1820], hand-coloured engraved globe, supported in graduated engraved brass meridian ring with hour circle, fitting in horizon ring with calendrical scales, on associated stand, minor professional restoration by Stephen Sanders (see footnote)

**Note:** John Addison Globe maker to George IV was active from 1800 - 1830. He was granted Royal appointment in 1820 and was trading as Addison and Co after 1815. Addison produced terrestrial and celestial globes in many sizes from 3" through to the magnificent 36" "Terraqueous Globe."

A rare example of this globe was manufactured and published by G and J Cary in 1840 and was sold at Sotheby's in 2009 for £200,000. The same Addison globe was later manufactured by Malby and further by Wyld.

This 12" table globe was published in 1818 by Addison. The Globe presents the circumnavigations of significant explorers including all 3 voyages of Captain Cook the voyages of Captain Vancouver and Butler's track to China. The cartographical detail is stunning for a globe of this size. The Globe is named as a new edition of D. Adams's terrestrial globe. Dudley Adams was the last of three generations in a family of instrument makers based in London. The firm produced high quality globes and instruments from 1735 until 1817 when, due to mismanagement, they were forced into bankruptcy. Dudley Adams sold his stock including plates and unfinished globes in that year. It is unclear whether Addison had bought any of the plates from the sale of Adams stock, but certainly seemed to want to exploit a gap in the market of globe production.

The globe is constructed of a plaster and gesso shell laid with 12 beautifully engraved and printed paper gores which are hand coloured and laid down. The horizon papers also engraved showing degrees and compass points, the Gregorian calendar, zodiac and an unusual addition of significant Saint's days.

#### Restoration Work

The globe has been carefully cleaned to remove the occluded perished varnish and reveal the stunning map. The paper has been sized and re-varnished with shellac to protect the map. There is some damage to the surface in Asia which has been repaired.

The stand has been restored and cleaned with some small repairs to the damage on the horizon circle. The brass springs are later but the rest of the metal work is original and has been gently cleaned and lacquered to protect the surface.

The Restoration Work was undertaken by Stephen Sanders.  
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