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**(Sainte-Marie-aux-Mines, France) Von dem Teütschenland. ccclxxxiii. Namen der
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Stock#: 78332
Map Maker: Munster
Date: 1550 circa
Place: Basle
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 6 x 9 inches (including text)
Price: \$ 175.00



Description:

Attractive original antique woodcut map of the Vosges region in eastern France. The map centers on the Liepvrette River valley and shows the area between Liepvres (written Leberaw) and Sainte-Marie-aux-Mines. This map originally appeared in Munster's *Cosmographia*.

The map is engraved in Munster's characteristic rudimentary pictorial style. Many towns, castles, towers, and even gallows (some in use) are shown. Munster labels points of interest in gothic script.

Liepvres was founded in the 8th century around a hermitage and eventually developed into a priory. The



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lead and iron mines were viewed as desirable by regional players who vied for control and influence, including the Dukes of Lorraine. Following the Hundred Years' War, French mercenaries would invade the valley, and the priory would fall into disuse.

Detailed Condition: