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Typus Universalis Terrae Iuxta Modernorum Distinctionem Et Extensionem Per Regna Et Provinciae

Stock#: 0476
Map Maker: Apian
Date: 1544
Place: Antwerp
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG+
Size: 11 x 8 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

In 1544, Peter Apian incorporated a world map into his *Cosmographia*, based upon Gemma Frisius' larger world map of 1540, of which no known copy exists. The continents are largely based upon Mercator's 1541 Globe Gores, although North America has shrunk to a narrow strip and has named it *Baccalearium* (good Cod Fishing nearby). The northwest passage is clearly identified. South America is designated "America", likely in deference to Waldseemuller's world map of 1513. The Straits of Magellan are shown. The Gemma Frisius map was believed to have been dedicated to Emperor Charles V. One of the deities at the top of the map bears the Holy Roman Emperor's Double Eagle on its breast plate. The heart shaped border of the map contains signs of the zodiac which was bound into the 1583 Basle edition of Gregor Reisch's *Magarita Philosophica*. Copies of the map from the Reisch are much rarer than the first state of the *Cosmographia* map. The two can be distinguished by the re-engraved title at the top. This example is in excellent condition and the quality of the engraving is rich and dark. Shirley 82.

Detailed Condition: