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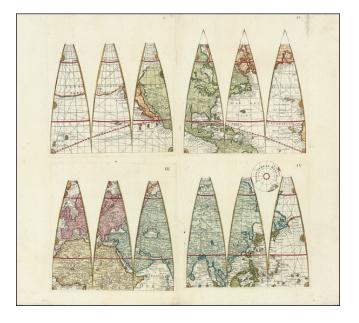
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[Globe Gores - North America - Asia - Europe - North Africa]

Stock#: Map Maker:	100828 Eimmart
Date:	1705 circa
Place:	Nuremberg
Color:	Hand Colored
Condition:	VG+
Size:	26.5 x 22.5 inches
Price:	SOLD



Description:

Rare set of globe gores for the Northern Hemisphere, engraved by Georg Eimmart in Nuremberg.

Georg Christoph Eimmart created a set of terrestrial and celestial globes, dated respectively to 1705 and circa 1704.

Cartographically, the gores are quite fascinating. California is shown as an island, but the most remarkable feature in North America is the massive unnamed river at the northwest side of the Gulf of Mexico and the unusual rendition of the 5 Great Lakes and one large open waterway from the St. Lawrence River to Lake Superior.

Interesting large land bridge connects Japan and North America, with just a narrow strait of Anian and Strati of Vries separating the continents of Asia and America.

Published in Nuremberg, the present set represents the northern half of the gores necessary to make a 30cm (12-inch) terrestrial globe. Einmart, an accomplished astronomer, geographer, copper engraver, and globemaker from Regensburg, relocated to Nuremberg around 1660. There, he established his own observatory, equipped with instruments of his own creation, solidifying his reputation as a master in his field.

The significance of these gores lies not only in their meticulous construction but also in their historical and



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scientific context. During the late 17th and early 18th centuries, the exploration of the celestial and terrestrial realms was at the forefront of scientific inquiry. These gores, likely modeled after the work of Valk, serve as a testament to the era's thirst for understanding the world and the heavens.

<u>Rarity</u>

Complete sets of Eimmart globe gores are rare.

Dekker's "Globes at Greenwich" lists five sets of globe gores in institutional collections, with only three pairs of mounted globes.

Detailed Condition: