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Stock#: 103005
Map Maker: Shippard
Date: 1834 circa
Place: London
Color: Pen & Ink with Wash Color
Condition: VG
Size: 10 x 16 inches
Price: \$ 2,800.00



Description:

Remarkable early 19th-century watercolor and ink drawing of four Aztec deities from the Codex Vaticanus. This watercolor was created by Capt. William H. Shippard, most likely from Lord Kingsborough's *Mexican Antiquities*.

The four deities depicted are supernatural figures from the Aztec pantheon:



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- Tlaloc (god of rain or water), a major deity who had his own cult. "Night Lord, patron of number 8, day sign Deer, and seventh trecena/Rain. Attributes: black face and body paint, turquoise eye goggles and curved lips, fanged mouth, rubber spattered paper on costume, blue costume" - Boone.
- Tlacaxipeualtzli (Tlahuizcalpantecuhtli): "Dawn Lord, aspect of Quetzalcoatl as the planet Venus, malevolent tendencies, patron of number 12, and ninth trecena/Serpent. Attributes: dark/black face paint with four white squares around the edges, flints in fillet and stiff black feathers in headdress."
- Tocoztli (god of abundance)
- Veitozcoztli (god of first fruits)

Detailed Condition:

Original pen and ink drawing with watercolor. Sheet age-toned. Minor staining.