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[German Postal Routes] Nouvelle Carte Geographique des Postes D'Allemagne et des Provinces limitrophes . . . / Neue und vollstaendige Postkare durch Ganz Deutschland . . . 1786

Stock#: 99352
Map Maker: Homann Heirs
Date: 1786
Place: Nuremberg
Color: Outline Color
Condition: VG
Size: 36.5 x 29.5 inches
Price: \$ 475.00



Description:

Finely detailed late 18th Century postal map of Germany, published in Nuremberg.

The map details the postal routes across Germany, highlighting where travelers and couriers could find relay stations, the paths used by mail coaches, and the routes exclusively for letter transport. The map also notes the distances between postal stops in Germany, France, and the Low Countries, reflecting the different systems used for measuring and organizing postal services in these areas. Additionally, it marks important locations such as the residences of Electors and princes, imperial cities, and academies, offering insight into the political and educational landscape of the time.

This map is a remarkable window into how the German and European postal services were organized, showing the infrastructure that allowed for the movement of information, goods, and people. The delineation of routes and services reveals the logistics of early modern communication and travel, highlighting the importance of postal networks in connecting different parts of Europe. These networks were crucial for commerce, governance, and the exchange of ideas, playing a significant role in the development of European societies.

Detailed Condition:

Segmented and laid on linen with original slipcase. Minor signs of wear at folds.