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L'America Settentrionale. Nuovamente Corretta et Accresciuta Secondo le Relationi Piu Moderne da Guglielmo Sansone Geografo . . . 1677 (California as an island)

Stock#: 0007em
Map Maker: Rossi

Date: 1677
Place: Rome
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 21 x 15 inches

Price: SOLD

Description:

First edition of Rossi's map of North America, based upon Sanson's seminal map, but with revised Italian nomenclature.

Includes a detailed California as an Island on Sanson's model, early open ended Great Lakes (one of the earliest appearances of the 5 Great Lakes) and a mislocated pre-La Salle/Jolliet/Hennepin pronjection of the Mississippi River, pushed well west of its true location and quite speculative in its course. Nice detail in the Spanish Southwest along the Rio Grande, locating Taos and Santa Fe in the North and identifying Cibola.

A number of early Indian names, including the Apaches and Zuni appear. A Lago de Oro is shown off the Gulf of California. Quivera appears in modern day Texas, along with Granada. The East Coast of North America includes many early place names, including N. Amsterdam, Chesapeac, Powhata, Gotheburg (an early Swedish Settlement), Bristou London, Plimouth, Nassau, Elsinburg, R. Iourdain, etc.

The first edition can be distinguished from te later editionsby the date (which is changed to 1687 in later editions). From Rossi's *Mercurio Geographico….*

Detailed Condition:
Minor soiling at centerfold and in blank margins.