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### William Adams Reystogt na Oost-Indien; Avontuurlyle door de Straat Magellaan in't Keyzerryk van Iapan Voleyndigd

**Stock#:** 11671  
**Map Maker:** van der Aa  
**Date:** 1706  
**Place:** Leiden  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 9.5 x 6 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



#### Description:

Decorative map of Japan and Corai Insula (Korea). The map was used to illustrate the Dutch translations of the account of the voyage of William Adams to Japan in 1600. The cartouche depicts Adams' reception at the Court of the Shogun. Adams is the first reported Englishman to reach Japan, his Dutch ship the *Liefde* shipwrecked on the coasts of Kyushu in April 1600. Adams later became a trusted confidant of the Shogun, a hatemoto (Japanese nobleman) with numerous estates and a key link in the early Dutch and English East India Companies trade with Japan. He took a Japanese wife and lived a full and exciting dual life until his death in Japan in 1620. . Vander Aa was one of the most prolific compilers of information on the early explorations to America, Asia and Africa. In total, the work reached 130 narratives, which were offered in 28 8vo volumes. A finely executed copper plate engraving with decorative cartouche.

#### Detailed Condition: