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L'Amerique Septentrionale [Unrecorded map showing California as an Island]

Stock#: 25162
Map Maker: Anonymous
Date: 1700 circa
Place: n.p.
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 7 x 6.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Unrecorded map of North America, showing California as an island, with a very curious shape.

A close study of the lower part of California suggests a knowledge of De L'Isle's 1700 map of North America, which was one of the first maps to show California as a peninsula, following Kino's report. The configuration of the Mississippi River similarly suggests Kino's influence.

The map is apparently very rare and was unknown to McLaughlin and therefore not in *The Mapping of California as an Island* or any of the standard reference works.

Detailed Condition:

Minor stain in Mexico and some minor offsetting.