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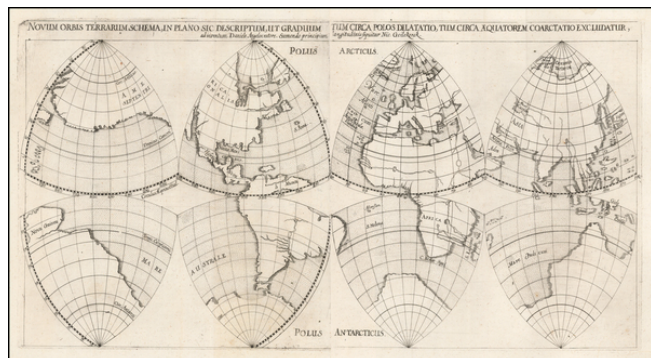
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Novum Orbis Terrarum Schema, In Plano Sic Descriptum, Ut Graduum Tum Circa Polos Dilatatio, Tum circa Aequatorum Coarctatio Excludatur, ad inventum Daniele Angelocratore. Sumendo principium longitudinis Sequitur Nic. Geilekerck.

Stock#: 54228sh
Map Maker: Angelocrator
Date: 1628
Place: Frankfurt
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 21.5 x 11.5 inches
Price: \$4,500.00



Description:

An Unusual Projection

This highly unusual world map by Daniel Angelocrator employs a unique projection invented by the mapmaker himself. The hemispheres are in the uncommon form of four rounded quarters. The map is rare [Shirley rated 'R'] and was issued in Angelocrator's book on surveying, *Doctrina De Ponderibus, Monetis et Mensuris*, published in Frankfurt in 1628.

While the projection was the mapmaker's own invention, the model for the geography was a 1616 world map of Nicolaes van Geelkercken, whom he credits in the title. Geelkercken's maps are noted for their great westward extension of North America. On them, the North Pacific becomes very narrow and Japan approaches the coast of America.

Daniel Angelocrator

Daniel Angelocrator (1569 - 1635), real surname Engelhardt, was a German Reformed minister. He studied theology at the University of Marburg and University of Franeker from 1588 to 1589. Angelocrater then took a job accompanying two young aristocrats to the Universities of Marburg and Helmstedt. In 1594 he clashed with his father over his Calvinism, moved to Geneva and stayed with a former pupil.

Angelocrater then was employed in the High School of Stade. From 1597 to 1606 he was a prominent minister in Hesse-Kassel, in various cities. Maurice, Landgrave of Hesse-Kassel in 1607 made him Archdeacon of Marburg, and 1614 the Superintendent. He was one of the delegates to the Synod of Dort in 1618.



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In the Thirty Years' War the neighboring Lutheran state of Hesse-Darmstadt was opposed to Hesse-Kassel, and in 1624 Angelocrator had to leave to escape its troops. As minister of Gudensberg, and supervising Obervorschütz, he then lost everything in 1626 to the pillaging Imperial troops of Johann Tserclaes, Count of Tilly. He was appointed to the consistory at Kassel, and then went in 1627 to Köthen, where he died on 30 July 1635.

He is known, as well as a minister, as a chronologist for his *Chronologia Autoptica* (1601), which placed reliance on the works of the forger Annius of Viterbo, and as a mapmaker and surveyor in his *Doctrina de ponderibus, monetis, et mensurism*, a treatise on ancient and modern weights, solid and liquid substances, precious metals and money, and surveying techniques.

Detailed Condition:

2 sheets, joined.