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The Isle of California, New Mexico, Louisiane, The River Misisipi and the Lakes of Canada...

Stock#: 62439
Map Maker: Moll
Date: 1701
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 7 x 6.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Unusual map of California and the West, extending to the Mississippi River Valley, Hudson's Bay and the coast of Florida.

Moll's map of the Isle of California is one of the more remarkable maps from Moll's *System of Geography*, capturing a tremendous amount of detail for a smaller format map.

California is shown as an island, with over a dozen place names. The Straits of Anian, projecting a NW passage to the Atlantic, is also shown.



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The cartography of the Southwest is remarkable, if for not other reason than the certainty of the detail stands in stark contrast with just how little was actually known about the region. The extent of the Missouri River is especially interesting in this regard. A note at the source of the Mississippi states that the Artes of France are cut into this tree. A northern Recollet Mission is also shown in the same region. Many Indian tribes and villages, early French and English forts, settlements in the Great Lakes regions, and other features are shown.

Detailed Condition: