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Buffalo-Hunting.

Stock#: 68663 Map Maker: Anonymous

Date: 1900 circaPlace: GermanyColor: Condition: VG

Size: 16.5 x 12.5 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

This is a great color-lithograph of a buffalo-hunting scene. The image is heavily romanticized, painting a rosy picture of the American West. Hardened cowboys on bucking horses use guns while Indians spear or stab the buffalo. Raptors fly above the scene and a mountain can be seen in the distance.

The work was made during an era of increased German and European interest in the American West. While always a point of curiosity on the continent, the mythical ideas of cowboys and Indians would take hold in Europe in the late 19th century. This tradition persists today, with genres such as the Spaghetti Western and the *bande dessine* Lucky Luke.

The color lithograph printing technique helps to date the map to before the popularization of offset printing. The insignia "Made in Germany" places a lower bound of 1891. Along the sides read the letters ieik and the number 11768. The title is translated into several European languages.

The artist follows George Catlin and Karl Bodmer in this rendition of the American West.

Detailed Condition:

Small tears into image along bottom and top.

Drawer Ref: Curiosities - People

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