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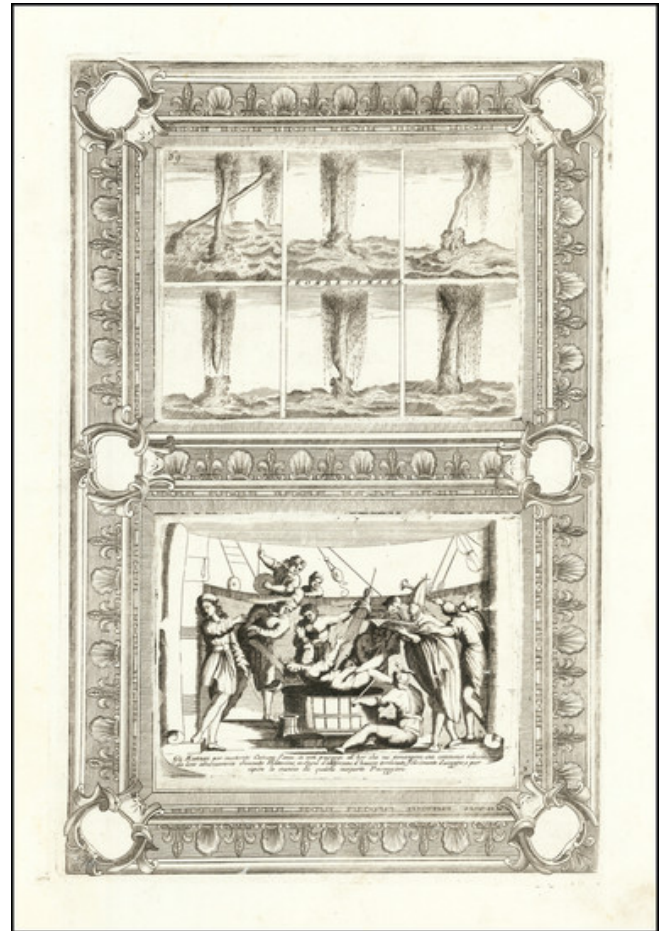
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**(Sea Spouts and King Neptune's Ceremony) Trombe di Mare | Gli Marinari per
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Stock#: 78614
Map Maker: Coronelli
Date: 1689
Place: Venice
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG+
Size: 10 x 15.5 inches
Price: \$ 425.00



Description:

Waterspouts and Crossing the Line.

An interesting set of two depictions that originally appeared in Coronelli's *Atlante Veneto*, published in Venice. The upper of the two images shows six different representations of waterspouts, a tornado that forms over water. While most of the time waterspouts aren't powerful enough to drag up water, as shown in the images, there are occasions where they do. The lower of the two images shows an equator-crossing ceremony, including a baptismal-like scene, which the description terms "ridiculous."

Interestingly, we can tell something about how the present image was printed by closely examining the edges of the ship's images, and how they interact with the intricate decorative borders that surround



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them. The boats and border were printed from separate copper plates but on the same sheet. This practice was not unheard of but is rather unusual.

Coronelli's *Atlante Veneto* was intended to accompany Blaeu's *Atlas Maior* and contained abundant maps. However, due to the idiosyncratic nature of the publication of the book, the double-printed maritime images are rarer today than his maps are.

Detailed Condition: