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[Northwestern Finland] *Partie Orientale de la Lapponie Suedoise Tiree de celles d'Andr. Burae et de Isaac Maasa . . . 1666*

Stock#: 87546
Map Maker: Sanson
Date: 1666
Place: Paris
Color: Outline Color
Condition: VG
Size: 22 x 17.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Nice example of Sanson's regional map of northwestern Finland, with Kemi on the Gulf of Bothnia at the southwest corner of the map.

The map covers Kemi Lapland and Russian Lapland, and is drawn from Atlas of Anders Bure (1626) and Isaac Massa.

The map notes that it is based upon the work of Anders Bure (Andreas Boreus) (1571-1646) and Isaac Maasa (1586-1643). Bure was a Swedish mathematician and mapmaker, who was the first Swede to undertake a serious effort to map the region. His six sheet map of 1626, *Orbis Arctoi nova et accurata delineatio*, is perhaps the most important map of Scandinavia published in the first half of the 17th Century. The biographical data for Bure given by the Library of Congress notes:

Andreas Bureus (1571--1646) is known as the father of Swedish cartography. He embarked upon a career in the Royal Chancellery in 1602 . . . In 1628 he was assigned the task of founding what was to become the Swedish National Land Survey. . . . Bureus completed [a 6-sheet] map of the Nordic countries in 1626 after several years of collecting data . . . The map is a testament to the imperial greatness of the Swedish Empire and was intended to be circulated among the prominent European courts. . . .



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Isaac Maasa Massa was a Dutch grain trader, traveller and envoy to Russia. He wrote extensively about his travels to Russia and created some of the earliest maps of Eastern Europe and Siberia. Maasa is credited with 5 printed maps of Russia and its regions and 2 maps of Moscow, drawn surreptitiously from Russian sources. Massa's mapping of the Siberian coast was a significant advancement, which was subsequently copied by all the major mapmakers of the middle of the 17th Century.

Detailed Condition: