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Americae Nova Tabula

Stock#: 8927
Map Maker: Blaeu
Date: 1633
Place: Amsterdam
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 18 x 14 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

A scarce example of Blaeu's map of America, without the decorative panels. The map was issued in Emanuel van Meteren's *Meteranus Novus*, published in Amsterdam in 1633. The delineation of the coast and the nomenclature on both the Pacific and Atlantic coasts are basically Spanish in origin and follow the maps of Ortelius and Wytfliet. To these Willem Blaeu has inserted on the East Coast the English names given by the Roanoke colonists in Virginia and by Frobisher, Davis and Hudson to the far north. Blaeu has added French names in Florida and along the St Lawrence. European geographers still had no knowledge of the extent of the Mississippi. From the expedition journals of De Soto (1539-43) they had inferred an extensive range of east west, trending mountains north of the Gulf of Mexico, precluding any great river system. The Great Lakes were as yet unknown, although Champlain had reached Huron and had heard of the lakes from Coral Indians and had, in 1632, published his own map showing the region. During the printing process the figured borders have been covered, to fit the smaller format of the book. A gorgeous example, with a nice dark impression. Burden, 189.

Detailed Condition: