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A New Map of Present Germany, Shewing Its Principal Divisions, Cities, Towns, Rivers, Mountains &c.

Stock#: 90586
Map Maker: Wells
Date: 1704
Place: Oxford
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: Good
Size: 19.5 x 14.5 inches
Price: \$ 225.00



Description:

From An Atlas Designed To Educate A Future King of England

Original antique decorative map of Germany, dividing the country according to region. The map names cities and shows geographical features, and includes a key explaining important sites as well as the complicated nature of the many constituents of the Holy Roman Empire.

The map includes a decorative title cartouche and the royal coat of arms. A compass rose and scale bar also appear, following mid-18th century English decorative tendencies.

This map was part of an atlas dedicated to the young William, Duke of Gloucester, who was then attending school in Oxford. Edward Wells was then a fellow at Christchurch College, and he intended this work to be used as a pedagogical tool for his students, among whom was William. Following Edward's death at age 11 in 1700, the atlas was published until 1738, retaining its original dedication.

Detailed Condition:

Some loss at lower centerfold. overall toning.