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Cataractae Danubii Vulgo Strudl et Werbl. duo loca Periculosae inter Imsum Superis et Cremsium Inferioris Austriae

Stock#:94421Map Maker:Braun & Hogenberg

Date:1671Place:FrankfurtColor:Hand ColoredCondition:VG+Size:18.5 x 14 inches

Price: \$475.00



Description:

Like The Monsters of Homer's Odyssey

Georg Braun and Frans Hogenberg's two-part view, titled *Cataractae Danubii Vulgo Strudl et Werbl. Duo Loca Periculosae Inter Imsum Superis et Cremsium Inferioris Austriae*, provides an informative illustration of a portion of the Danube River.

The detailed image depicts two sections of the river known for its swift currents and tumultuous conditions. Scylla and Charybdis mentioned in the title refer to the monsters from the Odyssey, who live on both sides of a strait.

The focus of the image is the river itself, shown flowing through a rugged, mountainous landscape. The river's course at this point is characterized by white-water rapids and whirlpools. These terms indicate the rough conditions created by the river's fast-moving waters against the rocky river bed, contributing to the difficulty of navigation in this section.

The Danube is shown running between high cliffs on either side, presenting a visually impressive natural landscape. The cliffs are predominantly rocky and covered in green vegetation, which adds color and texture to the image. Protruding rocky outcrops interrupt the line of the cliffs, indicating the river's winding course.

Boats of different sizes are shown on the river, demonstrating its use as a transport route despite the



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challenging conditions. Some boats appear to be caught in the whirlpools, indicating the difficulties encountered by river users.

Detailed Condition: