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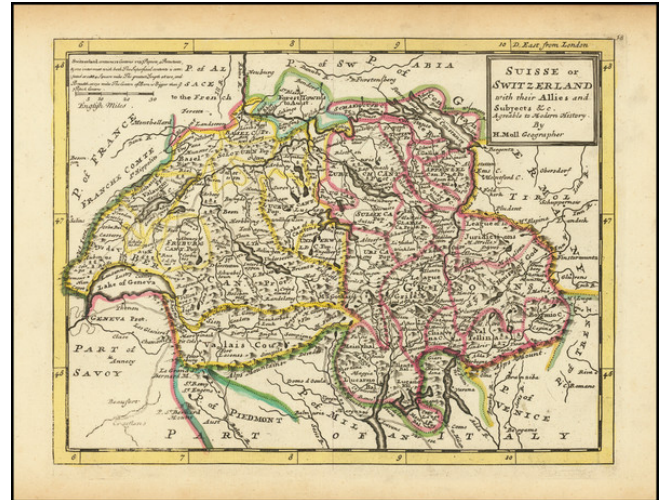
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Suisse or Switzerland with their Allies and Subjects & c. Agreeable to Modern History

Stock#: 94776
Map Maker: Moll
Date: 1730
Place: London
Color: Outline Color
Condition: VG+
Size: 10.5 x 8 inches
Price: \$ 145.00



Description:

Suisse or Switzerland with their Allies and Subjects & c. Agreeable to Modern History, by Herman Moll, is a distinctive map dating from 1729 that offers a compelling historical and geographical portrayal of Switzerland and its surrounding territories. Published in London, this map delineates the country's 12 cantons, further detailing their religious affiliations, and breaks down the territorial dimensions of Switzerland in an exceptionally precise manner. Furthermore, it stands out as a remarkable example of Herman Moll's cartographic work, colored meticulously by regions.

Herman Moll, a leading geographer and cartographer of the 18th century in England, was renowned for his precise maps and atlases. This map illustrates Moll's characteristic attention to detail, evident in its meticulous labeling, careful division of territories, and descriptive annotations. Notably, the map incorporates historical and demographic information, such as religious affiliations—categorizing cantons as Papists, Protestants, or an intermixture of both—reflecting Moll's interest in providing comprehensive geographical insights.

Housed within the wider scope of Enlightenment-era cartography, this map mirrors the era's aspirations for knowledge and precision. The Enlightenment represented a period of burgeoning scientific discovery and intellectual advancement, where maps were not only geographical tools but also represented the expanding intellectual curiosity of the era. In this context, Moll's map becomes more than a geographical representation—it serves as a manifestation of the evolving scientific thought of the period.

"Suisse or Switzerland with their Allies and Subjects & c. Agreeable to Modern History" exemplifies the combination of scientific rigor, geographical knowledge, and cultural understanding in the world of 18th-



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century cartography. Its intricate detailing and historical data make it an invaluable document, reflecting a fascinating era in the history of map-making and human understanding of the world. As such, it stands as a significant artifact of a time when exploration, science, and cartography converged to define the contours of the modern world.

Detailed Condition:

Original hand-color in outline.