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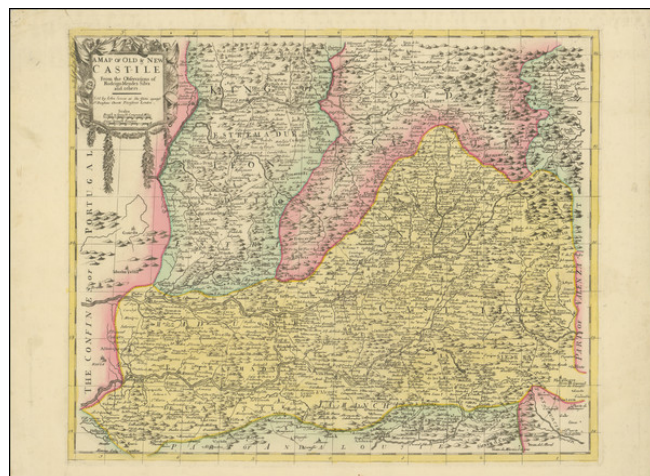
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A Map of Old & New Castile From the Observations of Rodrigo Mendes Silva and others.

Stock#: 96134
Map Maker: Senex
Date: 1714
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 21.5 x 17.5 inches
Price: \$ 275.00



Description:

A Map of Old & New Castile From the Observations of Rodrigo Mendes Silva and others, published by John Senex in London in 1714, provides an intricate and detailed cartographic representation of the Spanish regions of Old Castile and New Castile, including the Kingdom of Leon, Estremadura, La Mancha, and others. This highly detailed map encompasses a wide array of geographical elements such as towns, roads, rivers, castles, lakes, and mountains.

The early 18th century was a time of political transition and territorial realignment in Europe. In Spain, the War of the Spanish Succession (1701-1714) had significant implications for the national and regional governance of the country. The map's publication coincides with the end of this war, and its focus on the historically significant regions of Old and New Castile highlights areas that were crucial to the political and economic life of Spain.

The inclusion of observations by Rodrigo Mendes Silva contributes to the map's value as a historical document. Silva's work, combined with other sources, offers a multifaceted perspective on the geography of the region. The extensive detailing of natural features, human-made structures, and transportation routes reflects the intricate understanding and importance of regional geography in the period.

John Senex, a renowned British cartographer and engraver, was noted for his precision and craftsmanship. This map's preservation, along with the absence of folds and the minor presence of non-archival tape, underscores the quality of its construction and its enduring significance.

Overall, *A Map of Old & New Castile* stands as a vital artifact of its time, encapsulating the geographical intricacies of a key region in Spain during a significant historical period. Its melding of meticulous detail,



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historical context, and careful preservation offers a window into the landscapes, political divisions, and cartographic practices of early 18th-century Europe.

Detailed Condition:

Original hand-color. Second state, without Maxwell's name.