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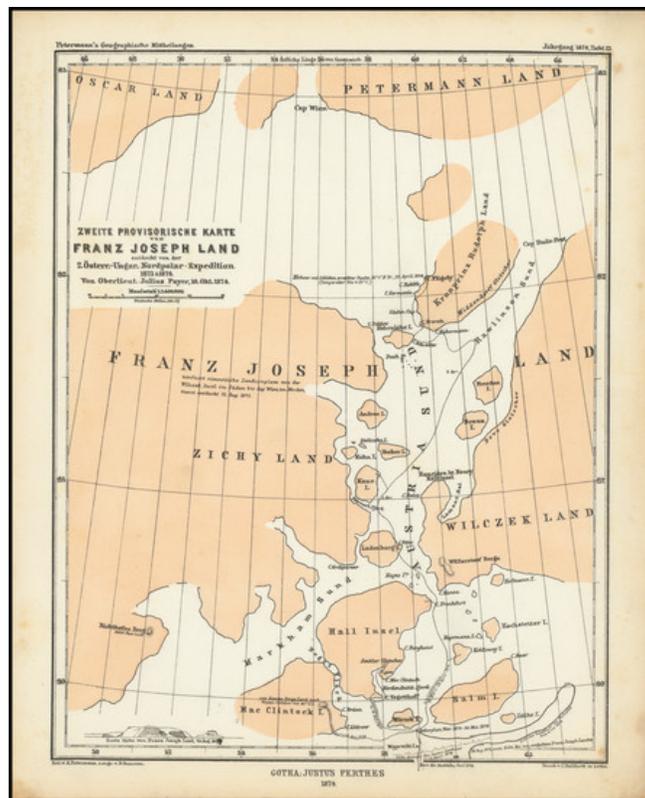
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(Austro-Hungarian North Polar Expedition) Zweite Provisorische Karte von Franz Josef Land entdeckt von der 2. Osterr.-Ungar. Nordpolar-Expedition 1873-1874. Von Oberlieut. Julius Pater, 10 Okt. 1874

Stock#: 98480
Map Maker: Petermann / Perthes
Date: 1874
Place: Gotha
Color: Color
Condition: VG
Size: 7.5 x 9.75 inches
Price: \$ 495.00



Description:

This map, created by Julius Payer on October 10, 1874, represents an early and significant cartographic depiction of the Franz Josef Land archipelago, as documented by the Austro-Hungarian North Polar Expedition. Published in Gotha by Justus Perthes as part of *Petermann's Geographische Mittheilungen* in the same year, it delineates the geography and exploratory routes of this remote and then recently discovered territory.

The 1873-1874 Austro-Hungarian North Polar Expedition, led by Julius Payer and Carl Weyprecht, was a landmark Arctic exploration. Aimed at finding a Northeast Passage, the expedition inadvertently became one of the first to navigate the Northeast passage when their ship, the *Tegetthoff*, became trapped in pack ice, drifting until it reached Franz Josef Land. Despite extreme conditions, the team conducted significant scientific research, mapping the newfound archipelago, and contributing valuable data on Arctic meteorology and geography. The expedition, marked by hardship and scientific triumph, remains a notable



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chapter in the history of polar exploration.

The map's creator, Oberleutnant Julius Payer, provided a visualization of the archipelago that includes intricate details of topography, glacial structures, and the expedition's route. It marks significant landmarks named by the explorers.

Detailed Condition:

Minor foxing at the edges.