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(Nuremberg Chronicle Leaf) [Moses and the Burning Bush]

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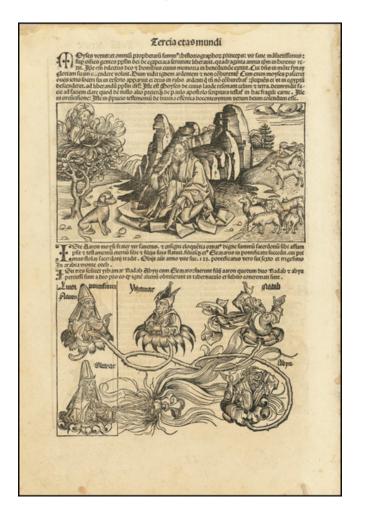
Date: 1493

Place: Nuremberg Color: Uncolored

Condition: VG

Size: 9 x 14.5 inches

Price: \$ 295.00



Description:

Old Testament Teachings

A leaf from Hartmann Schedal's monumental *Nuremberg Chronicle*, officially titled *Liber Chronicarum*, which told the history of the Christian world from Biblical beginnings to the 1490s. This sheet features engravings for two Biblical stories of the Old Testament. The first image depicts Moses removing his shoes before speaking to God in the form of the Burning Bush. The second engraving is an illustration of brothers Nadab and Abihu burning alive as a censer spews holy fire at them.

The most intriguing aspect of this piece is how figures are represented by Schedal. God, Moses, Nadab, Abihu, and other figures are garbed in Western medieval style with flowing robes and antiquated

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headwear. Note the inclusion of figures connected by a flowering vine which Schedal used to illustrate kinship.

Latin text describes the scenes and their relationship to the overall story presented. The *Nuremberg Chronicle* was written as a history of Western civilization that combines Biblical canon with factual historical events. As such, the text is not simply a retelling of these stories, but also a wider explanation of how these stories impacted later history.

A very nice piece of one of the seminal books of the late 1400s. Just under 3,000 copies of the *Nuremberg Chronicle* are known to exist in collections. <u>Here</u> is Cambridge's digitized Latin edition of the *Chronicle*.

Detailed Condition:

One sheet, printed verso-recto. Some wear, not affecting image. Otherwise VG Condition.

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