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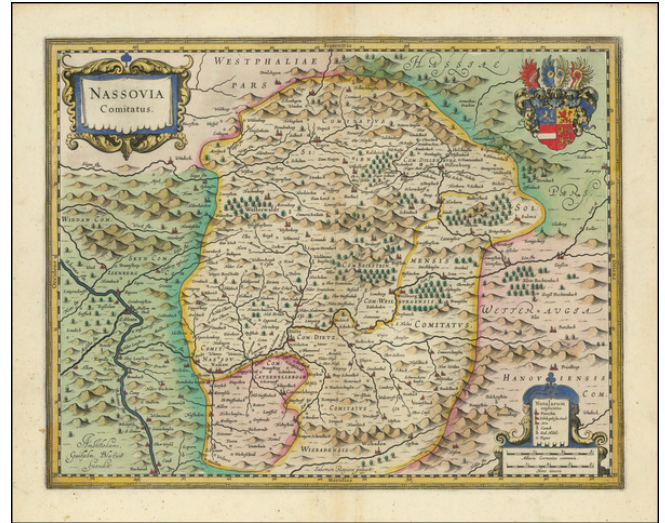
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Nassovia Comitatus

Stock#: 99192
Map Maker: Blaeu
Date: 1634
Place: Amsterdam
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 19 x 15 inches
Price: \$ 275.00



Description:

Fine old color example Blaeu's map of the County of Nassau.

The map includes the towns of Nassau, Dietz, Siegen and Herborn.

At the turn of the century, Nassau was a patchwork of territories under the nominal control of the Holy Roman Emperor. Governed by various branches of the House of Nassau, the region was predominantly Protestant, having been influenced by the Reformation. The religious tension that had been building across the Empire found a reflection in Nassau, where the local rulers often navigated the treacherous waters between Catholic imperatives and Protestant resistance.

The outbreak of the Thirty Years' War in 1618 was a turning point for Nassovia. This devastating conflict, which eventually embroiled most of Europe, began as a battle between Catholic and Protestant states within the Holy Roman Empire but quickly morphed into a more extensive power struggle involving several European powers. Nassovia Comitatus, strategically positioned and fragmented among influential noble families, became a stage for military engagements and political maneuvers.

Detailed Condition:

Original hand color