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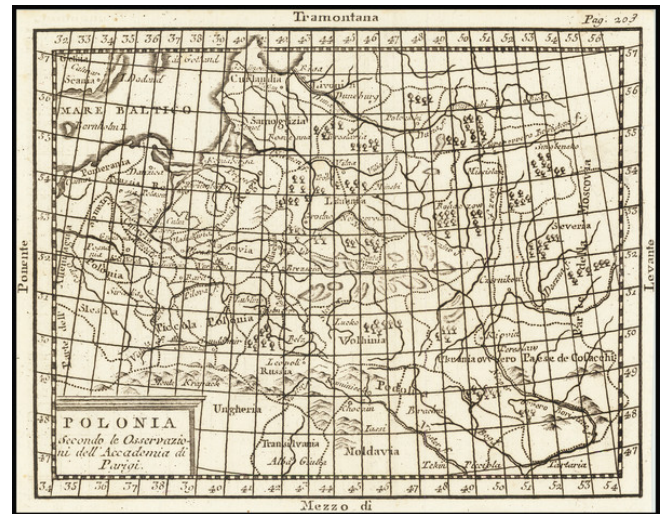
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Polonia Secondo le Osservazioni dell' Accademia di Parigi [Poland, according to the observations of the Paris Academy.]

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Map Maker: Zempel
Date: 1758 circa
Place: Venice
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 7 x 5.5 inches
Price: \$ 125.00



Description:

A map of Poland and the Baltic States, extending from Pomerania into Russia as far as Moscovia. Forests, rivers, mountains, settlements, and more are all shown. The four principal winds of the Mediterranean are shown at the edges of the map as a stand-in for the cardinal directions.

The many regions of Poland are all named, including Volhynia, Grand and Little Poland, Masovia, and Livonia. Cities shown include Danzig, Riga, Vilnius. Sweden is shown, labeled Gothia. This refers to the historical interpretation of the southernmost part of Sweden as the land of the Goths, more popularly known as the Geats, the most famous of which was mythical Beowulf.

Numerous geopolitical boundaries are shown on this map. The complex interplays between the different populaces and their geographical relations would define the geopolitics of the next century and a half, over which Poland was divided during the Partitions.

Detailed Condition: