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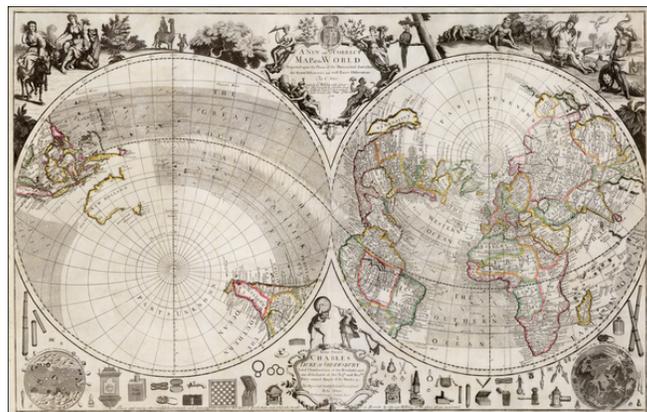
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A New and Correct Map of the World Projected upon the Plane of the Horizon laid down from the Newest Discoveries and most Exact Observations. By Charles C. Price . . . 1714

Stock#: 39777
Map Maker: Price / Willdey
Date: 1714
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 39 x 26 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Nice old color example of the rare Price-Willdey double hemisphere world map, first published in 1713 in London.

Fascinating double hemisphere map of the world, oriented with London at the center of Eastern Hemisphere and its antipode at the center of the Western Hemisphere.

The map shows California as a very large island, with all regions to the north marked 'parts unknown.' Iceland appears in the immediate proximity of Greenland. The western half of 'New Holland' is shown, along with the known coastline of Tasmania. The map is also one of the earliest maps to attempt to depict the wind directions at sea, with arrows and hachuring depicting wind directions and various notes around the world noting "calms and tornado" (in the Atlantic), Variable winds (blank areas of the sea in several places), and Shifting Winds (northwest of Australia). In the Indian Ocean, the map shows the monsoon trade winds, with notes as to the direction of the winds on a monthly basis.

The map is richly adorned across the top with allegorical images of the 4 continents as women and a decorative cartouche, surrounded by a different group of 4 allegorical images of women representing the 4 continents.

At the bottom, maps of the Sun (by Kircher) and the Moon (by Cassini) are shown, along with an array of instruments and trade goods pictured, made by Willdey, ranging from globes and microscopes to snuff boxes, watches and spectacles.

The map is dedicated "To his Grace Charles Duke of Shrewsbury Lord Chamberlain of the Household, and



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one of the Lord of Her Majtys most Honble Privy council Knight of the Garter, &c."

Willdey operated "the Great Toy Shop next to the Dog Tavern in Ludgate Street." While it has been suggested that Willdey simply reissued maps by Senex, Overton and several other map makers of the period, it is clear that this map is no mere re-issue. Willdey's maps are works of art, which includes finely engraved embellishments and a title cartouche, as well as an entertaining advertisement for his Great Toy Store.

This is the second state of the map, with prior state dated 1713. The map would later be sold to Thomas Jefferys, who would re-issued the map without the advertising at the bottom.

Detailed Condition:

Old Color. Several minor marginal tears and one fold split, just entering printed image, expertly repaired on verso.