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Tabula Asiae VII [Iran, Afghanistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Pakistan, India]

Stock#: 48988
Map Maker: Munster
Date: 1542
Place: Basle
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 13.5 x 10 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Excellent example of Munster's Ptolemaic map of the region north and east of the Black Sea and the Persian Gulf, extending to the Imaus Mountains.

The map is unchanged from the 1540 first edition of this landmark work. Munster's *Geographia* was a cartographic landmark, including not only Ptolemaic maps, but also a number of landmark modern maps, including the first separate maps of the 4 continents, the first map of England and the earliest obtainable map of Scandinavia. Munster dominated cartographic publication during the mid-16th Century. Munster is generally regarded as one of the most important map makers of the 16th Century.

Sebastien Munster was a linguist and mathematician, who initially taught Hebrew in Heidelberg. He issued his first mapping of Germany in 1529, after which he issued a call for geographical information about Germany to scholars throughout the country. The response was better than hoped for, and included substantial foreign material, which supplied him with up to date, if not necessarily accurate maps, for the issuance of his *Geographia* in 1540.

Detailed Condition: