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Mapa de la tierras de Doña Fransisca Maxixcatzin que estan en Sta. Anna chiautla Sta. Ynez, Sta. Marta y tambien en las tierras de Pablo Juarez seyso para que lo tengan y guarden y que no les falte tomo possession dn. Luiz Pimintel Maxixcatzin

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Map Maker: Gainos
Date: 1641
Place: n.p.
Color:
Condition: VG
Size: 30.5 x 20 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Beautifully artistic seventeenth-century map showing the lands of a prominent Tlaxcala noble family

This exquisitely colored map shows the lands of Doña Francisca Maxixcatzin and that of fellow landowner Pablo Juarez. A rosy sunset glows over a mountain range on the west-oriented document. At the foot of the mountains is the Hacienda Jacomebela and the church of Santa Inez. The lands of Doña Maxixcatzin surround the *cerros*, or hills, where the churches of Santa Marta Justine and Santa Anna Chicaulta are shown in great detail and brilliant color. The lands in the foreground belong to Pablo Juarez.

According to the explanation at the bottom of the page, this map was made at the request of Doña Francisca and the *cabildo*, or city council, of a nearby town. The map is to be kept especially by Luiz



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Pimintel Maxixcatzin and is meant to remind all involved precisely who owns which parcels of land.

Francisca Maxixcatzin was a wealthy landowner and wife of a colonial governor in sixteenth-century New Spain. Doña Francisca was the final heir in the line of the kings of Ocotelolco, an indigenous noble family. Ocotelolco was one of four independent *altepetl*, or polities, that made up the confederation of Tlaxcallan. It was the ruler Maxixcatzin who controlled Ocotelolco when the Spanish came. Over a century later, Doña Francisca seems to be the last of her family.

Doña Francisca married Don Diego Muñoz Camargo García Vázquez, who served as the governor of Tlaxcala from 1608 to 1612. Muñoz's father, another Diego Muñoz Camargo, was a famous Tlaxcalan historian and was himself the son of a conquistador Spaniard and an indigenous woman.

Doña Francisca inherited lands from her husband, who had died by 1628, and was involved in several land transfers during her adulthood. She was mentioned by the Nahua noble, Tlaxcala city council (*cabildo*) member, and annalist Don Juan Buenaventura Zapata y Mendoza and it is most likely the Tlaxcala *cabildo* who, along with Doña Francisca, requested this map be made.

Luiz Pimintel Maxixcatzin was Doña Francisca's son. On January 1, 1627, he was appointed *alcalde ordinario*, a city official of Tlaxcala. He married Mariana Pimintel in 1634.

Full title:

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