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**Le Chili / tiré de celui que Alf. Ovalle P. de la C. d. I. a fait imprimer a Rome en 1646 et  
distingué en ses treize Juridictions... 1656**

**Stock#:** 50491  
**Map Maker:** Sanson  
**Date:** 1656  
**Place:** Paris  
**Color:** Outline Color  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 21 x 15.5 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



**Description:**

Sanson's 1656 double-page engraved map of Chili, from Peru to Patagonia and the Straits of Magellan. It is vertically centered on the Andes Mountains, focusing on the river systems, lakes and coastal features of Chili.

The map is based upon Alonso de Ovalle's large map of Chile, published in Rome in 1646. De Ovalle, author of *Historica Relacion del Reyno de Chile* (Rome 1646) was born in Chile in 1601. De Ovalle was born to an elite Buenos Aires family but elected to join the Society of Jesus in 1617. He became a successful missionary and rector of the "Colegio Seminario." He remained active among the Chilean Indians until 1641, when he traveled first to Spain and then Italy, where he remained until 1650, during which time he wrote his seminal work on the history of Chile.



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**Detailed Condition:**

Old outline hand-color.