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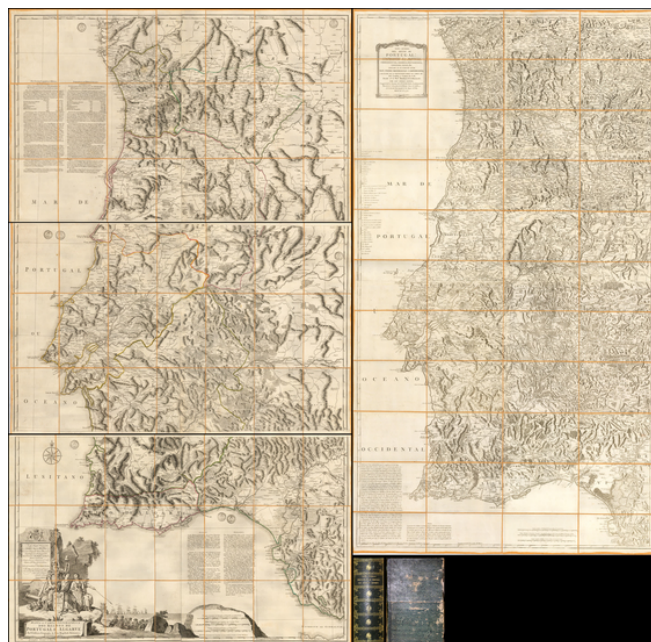
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Stock#: 52479op
Map Maker: Jefferys / López
Date: 1762 / 1778
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 66 x 38 inches - 54 x 31
Price: SOLD



Description:

Two Maps of Portugal From the Collection of General Nicolas Charles Oudinot

Fine examples of the two most important maps of Portugal published in the latter part of the 18th century:

- First edition of Thomas Jefferys map rare map of Portugal, originally published in London in 1762.
- First edition of Thomas Lopez's map of Portugal, published in Madrid in 1778.

Jefferys Map of Portugal

Jefferys apparently collaborated with Miguel Rodrigues, who was then working as a printer for the Bishop of Lisbon, although Rodrigues connection to Jefferys and this map are unknown.

The map includes remarkable topographical detail, a large dedication cartouche and tables in English and Spanish. Dedicated to "the Right and Honourable John Earl of Bute".



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Lopez Map of Portugal

Tomas Lopez's map is a fine amalgam of information from a number of sources, including:

- Carlos de Grandprez's Carta topográfica del patriarcado de Lisboa (1736)
- Pedro Gendrón's Mapa de Portugal (1754)
- Pedro Rodríguez de Campomanes Mapa de Portugal (1762)
- Jacques-Nicolas Bellin's Carte de Portugal (1762)
- Giovanni Rizzi-Zannoni's Carte de Portugal (1762)
- López also studied written accounts of the geography of Portugal, including Gaspar Estazo's *Antigüedades de Portugal* and Luís Caetano de Lima's *Geografia historica*

General Nicolas Charles Oudinot

A final detail that gives this map particular importance is the identity of its former owner, Nicolas Charles Oudinot, 1st Comte Oudinot, 1st Duc de Reggio (1767 - 1848), and a Marshal of France. A fierce fighter, the man was wounded no less than 34 times during his military career!

The only one of nine siblings to live past childhood, Oudinot joined the army without a noble pedigree, and therefore without a chance of high promotion. That all changed in 1792, with the outbreak of the French Revolution. In that year, Oudinot was elected lieutenant-colonel of the third battalion of the volunteers of the Meuse. After transfer to the regular army and admirable service in Belgium, he was promoted to the rank of general in June 1794 after the Battle of Kaiserslautern.

From Belgium he shifted to the German and Swiss fronts, where he fought as a general of division and chief of staff to Andre Massena. Oudinot stood out at the Battle of Monzambano so much so that Napoleon himself presented him with a sword of honor, now known as the *Legion d'Honneur*. Napoleon did not forget him after he established his empire; now Emperor Napoleon recognized Oudinot again, this time with a Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor.

During the Napoleonic Wars, Oudinot continued to acquit himself commendably. He was elected a member of the Chamber of Deputies, commanded a company of grenadiers nicknamed for him, and fought in battles from Vienna to Poland. In 1808, he was appointed governor of Erfurt and was made a Count of the French Empire. Finally, in 1809, after the Battle of Wagram, he was named a Marshal of France, France's highest military distinction.



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Oudinot continued to serve as an administrator in Holland and on the battlefield in the Russian campaign. After Napoleon's fall, Oudinot joined the Bourbon Restoration and stayed loyal to the King even after Napoleon's return in 1815. For his loyalty and service, he was named a peer of the realm. He served until 1823, when he participated in the French invasion of Spain. Then, he turned again to political and administrative appointments; he died while serving as governor of *Les Invalides*, at the veterans' hospital in Paris.

Provenance

Purchased at auction in Paris, from Artcuriel, *Collections from the Castle of Malicorne Marshal Oudinot's Historical Souvenirs*, June 13, 2017 (Lot 156).

Detailed Condition:

Two maps, each dissected and laid on linen and housed in a custom box, intended for both maps.