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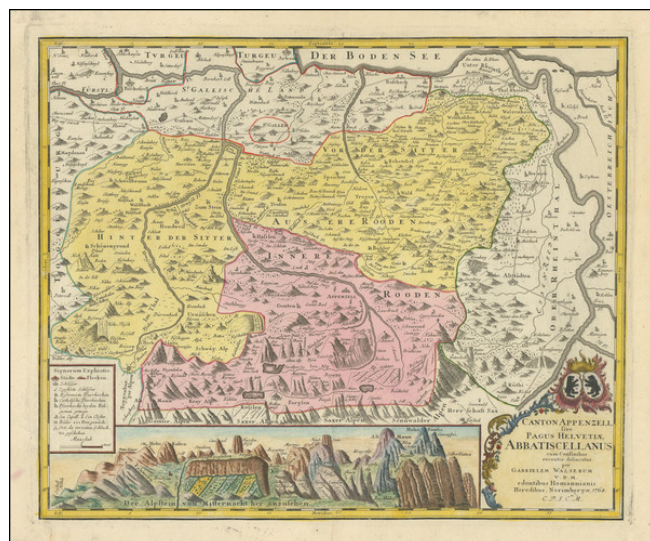
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Canton Appenzell Sive Pagus Helvetiae Abbatischellanus cum Confinibus recenter delineatus per Gabrielle Walserum V.D.M. . . . 1768

Stock#: 97096
Map Maker: Walser / Homann Heirs
Date: 1768
Place: Nuremberg
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 22.5 x 18.5 inches
Price: \$ 675.00



Description:

This finely executed map of Canton Appenzell offers a detailed portrayal of Appenzell and its neighboring regions. Drafted by Gabriel Walser, the map documents this eastern part of Switzerland, known for its picturesque landscapes and rich history.

The topography of the map emphasizes the distinctiveness of the Alpine mountains, particularly those belonging to the Alpstein massif. The inclusion of "Der Alpstein von Mitternacht her Anzusehen" offers a detailed perspective of several key peaks and valleys in the region. The array of mountains and high valleys, including Unter Kamor, Ober Kamor, Hohe Kasten, Soll Alp-Sigleten, Staubern, Canzel, Furglen-First Furglen, Bogarten Spiz, Marwies, Hunds-Stein, Ober vMar, Gloggern, Kray Alp, Alp Mann, Hohe Santis, Blau Schene Geirenspez, Gletscher, Silberbaltten, and Mesmer, showcases the region's geologic splendor.

These peaks and valleys, integral to the Alpstein mountain range, have played a crucial role in defining not just the physical landscape but also the cultural and economic activities of the region. Many of these areas have been historically significant for pasturing, and the high valleys provided crucial passages during seasonal migrations and trade.

Appenzell, being the eponymous capital of the canton, stands out prominently on the map. Historically, Appenzell has been a center for culture, administration, and trade in the region. The canton is subdivided into Appenzell Innerrhoden and Appenzell Ausserrhoden, each with its distinctive character and historical



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significance.

Canton Appenzell's history is marked by its early association with the Swiss Confederation. Initially a part of the Abbey of Saint Gall, the region pursued its independence and, after a series of conflicts, eventually secured its autonomy in the late 16th century. This tumultuous past has led to the division of the canton into two half-cantons: Innerrhoden (Catholic) and Ausserrhoden (Protestant).

By the time this map was crafted in 1768, Appenzell had witnessed profound socio-religious transformations, marked by the Reformation and Counter-Reformation movements. These shifts have deeply influenced the region's cultural, political, and economic trajectories.

Detailed Condition: