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## L'Amerique Septentrionale ou la Partie Septentrionale des Indes Occidentales . . . 1689 [1st Edition!]

**Stock#:** 1002hh  
**Map Maker:** Coronelli / Nolin  
**Date:** 1689  
**Place:** Paris  
**Color:** Outline Color  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 23 x 17 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

Rare first edition of Johann Baptiste Nolin and Vincenzo Maria Coronelli's important map of North America.

With the agreement of Coronelli (who receives credit in the title), Nolin issued this single sheet map of North America. While it is drawn from Coronelli's 2 sheet map of North America dated 1688, Coronelli's map did not appear in his *Atlante Veneto* until 1691. Cartographically, the depiction of the Great Lakes is the most advanced to date, drawing on information from the explorations of Louis Jolliet and Jacques Marquette. The Mississippi basin reflects the French discoveries of René-Robert Cavelier, Sieur de La Salle on his first expedition of 1679-82. This map depicts La Salle's misplacement of the mouth of the Mississippi, which he located some 600 miles to the west of its true location.

In the West, the map contributes a significant amount of new information, drawn mostly from the manuscript map drawn by Diego Dionisio de Peñalosa Briceño y Berdugo, which included numerous previously unrecorded place names and divided the Rio Grande into the Rio Norte and the Rio Bravo in the south. The manuscript map was prepared by Peñalosa between 1671 and 1687, as part of his attempts to interest the French King Louis XIV in a military expedition against New Spain. The most prominent geographical detail of the map is California's appearance as a massive island, this map being one of the best renderings of this beloved misconception.

Nolin's map is not an exact copy of Coronelli's map, these changes are most noteworthy in the Hudson's Bay region, where new place names have been added. Offered here in the rare first state, pre-dating the



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additional credit to Jean Nicolas de Tralage, Sieur Tillemon. The example offered here includes an extraordinary original color cartouche, a very unusual feature with Nolin's maps.

**Detailed Condition:**

Remargined, with some restoration work along the bottom of the image.