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L'America Settentrionale Nuovamente corretta, et accresciuta secondo le relationi piu moderne . . . 1687 [California as an Island]

Stock#: 1746RB
Map Maker: Rossi
Date: 1687
Place: Rome
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 21 x 15 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Second edition of Rossi's map of North America, based upon Sanson's seminal map, but with revised Italian nomenclature, from Rossi's *Mercurio Geographico*....

Rossi's map is based upon Sanson's map of North America, first issued in 1650. Rossi depicts California as an Island on the Sanson-Foxe model. The first two editions (1677 and 1687), show the Great Lakes with open ends at the western part of the Lakes, consistent with Sanson's model. In approximately 1715, the map was modified significantly, although the date is unchanged (1687).

In the first two editions, the Rio del Norte (Rio Grande) is shown flowing into the Gulf of California, with Taos and Santa Fe in the North and identifying Cibola. In the third edition, the river is shifted to the Gulf of Mexico. Perhaps most notably, the configuration of the Mississippi River is also changed in the third edition. In the first two editions, the configuration follows Sanson and earlier maps. In the third edition, Rossi adopts the Nolin/Coronelli treatment of the Mississippi, showing its course in an nearly due south configuration, with its terminus on the Texas Coastline.

A number of early Indian names, including the Apaches and Zuni appear. A Lago de Oro is shown off the Gulf of California. Quivera appears in modern day Texas, along with Granada.

The East Coast of North America includes many early place names, including N. Amsterdam, Chesapeac, Powhata, Gotheburg (an early Swedish Settlement), Bristou London, Plimouth, Nassau, Elsinburg, R. Iourdain, etc. Repaired tear in upper left corner, else a nice decorative example.



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Detailed Condition: