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Stock#: 21951
Map Maker: Munster

Date: 1570
Place: Basle
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 8 x 6 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Detailed map of European Russia, from the Baltic to the Black Sea and the Caspian Sea, from a German edition of Munster's *Cosmographia*, one of the most influential works of the 16th Century.

Munster's *Geographia* was a cartographic landmark, including not only Ptolemaic maps, but also a number of landmark modern maps, including the first separate maps of the 4 continents, the first map of England and the earliest obtainable map of Scandinavia. Munster dominated cartographic publication during the mid-16th Century. Munster is generally regarded as one of the three most important map makers of the



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16th Century, along with Ortelius and Mercator.

Munster was a linguist and mathematician, who initially taught Hebrew in Heidelberg. He issued his first mapping of Germany in 1529, after which he issued a call geographical information about Germany to scholars throughout the country. The response was better than hoped for, and included substantial foreign material, which supplied him with up to date, if not necessarily accurate maps for the issuance of his Geographia in 1540.

Detailed Condition:

Minor dampstaining