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## Der Kayser zu Constantinopel (with coat of arms)

**Stock#:** 22028  
**Map Maker:** Munster  
**Date:** 1584  
**Place:** Basle  
**Color:** Uncolored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 6 x 4 inches (plus text)  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

Decorative image of the King of Constantinopel and coat of arms.

Munster's *Geographia* of 1540 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. The work was expanded into Munster's *Cosmographia* beginning in 1545,



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adding many views and accounts of various places in the world seldom reached by European travellers and in many cases, the first obtainable views and accounts of these cities and places to be widely distributed in Europe.

Munster is generally regarded as one of the most important map makers of the 16th Century. 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 soiling and dampstaining.