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Essay D'Une Carte Reduite Contenant Les Parties Connuees Du Globe Terrestre Dedie A JM. Le Comte De Maurepas...1748

Stock#: 25776 **Map Maker:** Bellin

Date: 1748 (1780 ca)

Place: Paris

Color: Hand Colored

Condition: VG

Size: 27.5 x 20 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Fine example of this influential mid-18th Century map of the world, which over a 30 year period beginning in 1748 was used to illustrate many of the great works of exploration published in France.

The map is an interesting mix of cartographic features, predating the Bay of the West, the discovery of the Sandwich Islands and many other features. This edition is most notworthy for its marvelous early projection of Australia and New Zealand, each with largely speculative coastlines, and the early appearance of Cook's Strait in New Zealand, reflecting the most recent updates to the map, which would be significantly revised in the next decade.

The NW Coast of America includes the first notes of Russian exploration. Decorative cartouche, compass rose and rhumb lines. A significant map.

Detailed Condition: