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Stock#: 25978 **Map Maker:** Munster

Date:

1560 circa

Place:

Basle

Color:

Uncolored

Condition:

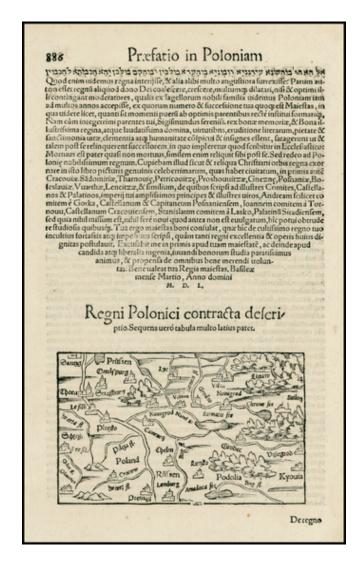
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Size:

5.5 x 3.5 inches

Price:

SOLD



Description:

Interesting regional map, showing the region bounded by Danzig, Lublin, the Oder River, Lemburg, Kiev, and Vilna. Novograd and Cracow are shown toward the center.

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 16th Century, along with Ortelius and Mercator. Munster was a linguist and mathematician, who initially



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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:

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