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Carte de L'Amerique Corrigee et augmentee dessus toutes les autres . . . 1640

Stock#: 29106
Map Maker: Bertius / Van Lochem
Date: 1640
Place: Paris
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 19.5 x 15 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Rare separately published map of America, based upon Jodocus Hondius' map of 1618, but with a revised coastline for the Northwest Coast of America which is among the most interesting (mis)representations of the this region to appear on and 17th Century map.

Beginning with the second state of this map, the entire west coast of North America, including nomenclature, is erased and replaced with a speculative coastline and the legend Pays Non Encore Descouverts (lands not yet discovered). Burden notes that this likely was done to balance the two schools of thought on the region, one treating California as an island, the second adhering to the the peninsular treatment.

While several other map makers copied Hondius over the next 30 years, it was only the 1640 and 1646 examples of this map which include this unique coastline. It should be noted the while Burden attributes the map to Bertius, Loeb-Laroque believed the second and third states of the map were engraved by Michel van Lochem, as the other continents in the set in which this map typically appears bear Van Lochem's name as the engraver.

Burden notes that the third state of the map (1646) is found in the two recorded examples of Pierre Mariette's *Theatre géographique de France*, published in 1650 & 1653.

The map is very rare on the market, this being the first time we have offered the 1640 edition for sale.



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Detailed Condition:

Flattened and laid on thicker sheet of paper, with minor stains along old folds, a bit of soiling and evidence of mat burn in the margins from an earlier framing.