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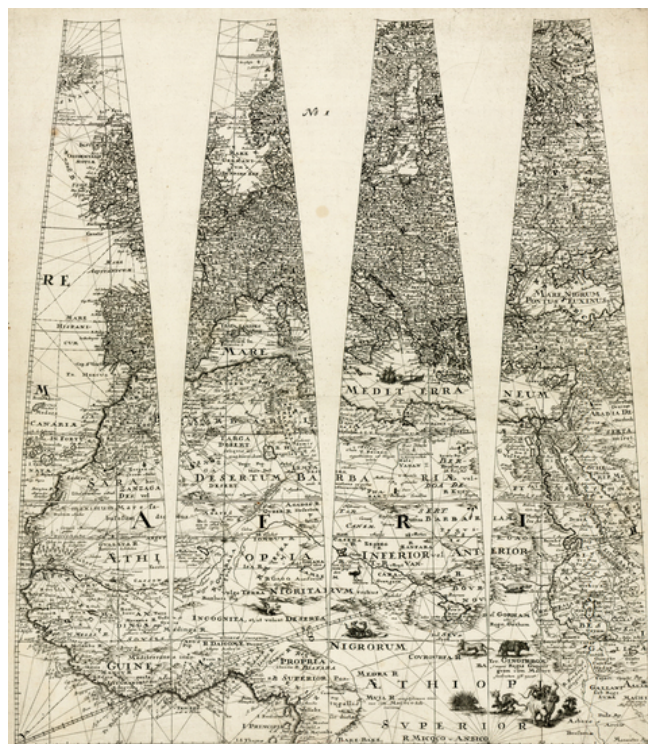
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(Europe & the North part of Africa -- Untitled Globe Gores)

Stock#: 29159
Map Maker: Endersch
Date: 1751 circa
Place: Elbing
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG+
Size: 17 x 14 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Finely engraved set of globe gores covering Europe and the North part of Africa, from an unrecorded mid-18th Century Globe.

In August 2012, we were advised of a similar set of gores at the University of Vilnius, engraved by Johann Friedrich Endersch, Royal Geographer to King Augustus III of Poland. Johann Friedrich Endersch (1705-1769) was a famous German cartographer and mathematician. Endersch was born in Dornfeld in Thuringia and had spent most of his life in Elblag in Royal Prussia, Poland. Johann Friedrich Endersch got the title of Royal Mathematician from Augustus III of Poland.

We have dated the map based upon the note in this plate identifying Alof Kramer's discovery of Kraemer Banks in 1751, which as later debunked in the early 19th Century by Captain Ross and others. Among other noteworthy features, the Black sea is shown with a current flowing from the Dniepr River and Danube River, the first time we have seen such a current chart in the Black Sea.

This set of gores was acquired in a set of 8 (of 12) gores, which when joined would have made a 67cm diameter terrestrial globe. There is no attribution and, to date, it would appear that the gores are from an



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unrecorded Globe, for which no known complete examples of the globe or gores survive. Based upon information on several of the gores, the publication can be reliably tracked to 1751 or shortly thereafter.

The gores acquired covered (1) Europe up to the Black Sea, (2) 2 sheets covering Africa (with numerous animals and figures of Africans), (3) Asia east of Siam/Indonesia, (4) Australian, (5) New Zealand, (6) 2 sheets covering North and Central America (with Hudson Bay, Great Lakes, peninsular California) as well as northern part of South America, and part of Greenland and Iceland.

Printed on paper with watermark HB with cross.

Detailed Condition: