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Stock#: Map Maker:	30163 Hondius
Date: Place:	1628 circa Amsterdam
Color:	Uncolored
Condition :	VG
Size:	19.5 x 15 inches
Price:	SOLD



Description:

Extramely rare Jodocus Hondius II map of the Straits of Magellan, Le Mair Strait, Fire Lands and thesouthern tip of Patagonia.

The map is not to be confused with the later and completely revised map of the Straits of Magellan, published by Henricus Hondius beginning circa 1630. Following the death of the Jodocus Hondius I in 1612, the Mercator-Hondius atlas was published by Henricus Hondius. During this time, Jodocus Hondius II engraved a number of new map plates for his own atlas, but ultimately sold the plates to Willem Blaeu.

The changes in the two maps can be seen in all parts of the map. The west side of Tierra del Fuego and regions above are shown as small islands, rather than the ambiguous forms used in the later Hondius map. The notes in the center of the map are contained in small circles in the earlier edition and a massive Patagonian is shown next to a smaller European man at the bottom center, alon with two see lions. Nassauvsche Voerd and Lheremitens Eylandt and Cape Horn appear on the later edition of the map only, whereas no island or strait above Cape Horn appears in the early edition. The contours of the southern coastline are also completely different. The placement of the compass rose is also moved.

A link to the later edition can be found here: {{ inventory_detail_link('30162') }}

The first edition of the map is of the quite rare. This is the first example we have seen on the market. There is also an earlier "proof state" of the map, with fewer mountains and text annotations:

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Detailed Condition: