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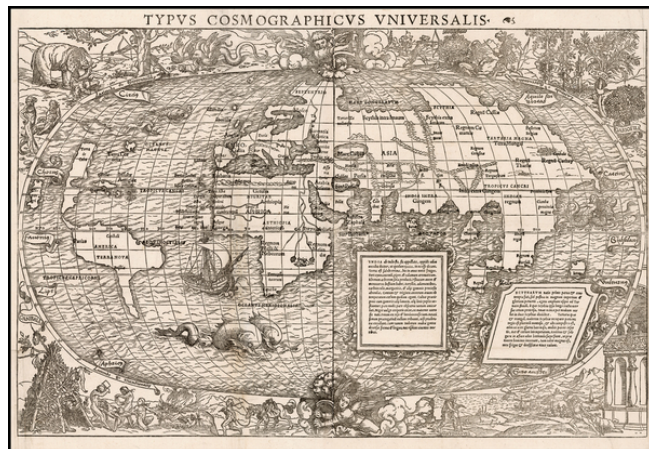
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Stock#: 30390
Map Maker: Munster - Grynaeus
Date: 1532
Place: Basle
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG+
Size: 21.5 x 14 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Fine example of the first edition of Simon Grynaeus' map of the World, from the 1532 edition of *Novus Orbis Regionum*, which includes fine border illustrations engraved by Hans Holbein the Younger.

Ronald Shirley note:

No imprint appears on this large and decorative map . . . which was first printed in the 1532 edition of the Novus Orbis Regionum by Johann Huttich and Simon Grynaeus. Sebastian Munster contributed a long introduction Typi Cosmographici et Declarato et usus to their collection of voyages, and there have been arguments for and against his authorship of the accompanying map. It seems more probable that the map itself is Munster's whereas the decor is more frequently attributed to Hans Holbein the Younger . . .

Geographically the map . . . was probably prepared prior to 1532 based partly upon . . . the Schoner Globes, or on Apian's map of 1520. . . The projection follows the oval one of Bordone, with two cherubs energetically turning crank handles at the north and south poles.

The elaborate borders are enhanced with imaginary scenes of cannibals, winged serpents, elephants, and monsters; at both poles there appear winged angels turning the world on its axis. The map is one of the most decorative and sought after of all early world maps which are reasonably obtainable to most collectors, owing to the tremendous success of the Huttich-Grynaeus text.

A fine example, with unusually wide clean margins.

Detailed Condition:



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Tiny repair tear at left margin, just next to the hand below the world Canibali.