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Carte D'Amerique Dresssee pour l'usage du Roy en 1722 . . . Et augmentee desa Nouv.lles Decouvertes en 1763 . . . [Very Early Sea of the West]

Stock#: 30434
Map Maker: De L'Isle / Buache
Date: 1763
Place: Paris
Color: Outline Color
Condition: VG+
Size: 24 x 19 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Fine example of Buache's map of America, one of the earliest appearances of the Sea or Bay of the West.

The 1745 issue is the 7th edition of Guillaume De L'Isle's map of America, but most importantly, the first to display the Bay or Sea of the West. Buache was one of the leading mid 18th Century theoretical cartographers and was responsible for the dissemination of many early discoveries. He also helped to propagate a fair amount of mythical cartography, as is the case with this map.

This map gives extraordinary treatment to the region, although there is curiously no mention of the Russian discoveries of Behring and Tchirikow. The mythical discoveries of Martin D'Augilar and Juan De Fuca are shown, as is a potential watercourse from the Bay of the West to the Michinipi River and then on the the Atlantic, although obscured off the top of the map. The Islands discovered by Quiros in 1610 area shown.

An essential map for Bay or Sea of the West Collectors, produced by Buache, who was responsible for so many of the early maps showing the Bay of the West.

Detailed Condition: