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Stock#: 33919
Map Maker: Coronelli
Date: 1695
Place: Venice
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 34.5 x 24 inches (if joined)
Price: \$750.00



Description:

Fine example of this detailed 2 sheet map of Monferrato, from Vincenzo Maria Coronelli's *Corso Geographico*, published in Venice.

The map provides a fantastic image of the topography of the region, naming mountains, rivers, lakes, towns, castles, etc. Includes an elegant cartouche and numerous coats of arms. Includes the cities of Turin, Casale, Allessandria, Ovada and many others. It is without question the most beautiful and detailed maps of the region to appear in a commercial atlas at the end of the 17th century.

An exceptional example of this fine map.



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Vincenzo Coronelli apprenticed as a Xylographer, before joining the Convental Franciscans in 1665. In about 1678, after studying Astronomy and Euclid, Coronelli began working as a geographer and was commissioned to make a set of Terrestrial and Celestial Globes for Ranuccio II Farnese, the Duke of Parma which were 5 feet in diameter. Coronelli was next invited to Rome to construct a similar pair of Globes for Louis XIV. From 1681 to 1683, Coronelli lived in Paris, where he constructed a pair of 10 foot diameter globes for the King, at a weight of nearly 4000 pounds.

The fame and importance of Coronelli's globe led to the production of a 42 inch diameter globe in 1688, for which complete of examples of which reside in a number of major institutional collections around the world. Separate globe gore sheets from this famous globe periodically appear on the market. Coronelli worked for a number of years as a Geographer and Theologian, before returning to Venice in 1705, where he published his *Atlante Veneto* and *Corso Geographico* and founded the *Accademia Cosmografica degli Argonauti*.

Detailed Condition:

2 sheets, unjoined.