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Terra Nova

Stock#: 36593
Map Maker: Langenes

Date: 1612
Place: Amsterdam
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 5 x 3.5 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Nice example of the second state of Barent Langenes, map of Newfoundland and Nova Francia, which first appeared in the 1598 edition of Langenes *Caert-Thresoor*, published in Middelburg.

Based upon Cornelis Claesz's rare *Nova Francia*, published circa 1594, the map is the first to provide a detailed treatment of the area around Newfoundland. The map also includes a long, dotted area which is most likely depicting the Grand Banks, although at least one author has suggested that it shows the Gulf Stream, although the latter seems unlikely.

Langenes's map was first issued in his *Caert-Thresoor* and later re-published in by Bertius in his *Tabularum Geographicarum,* beginning in 1600, with the total number of appearances of this map running to no less than 12 appearances between 1598 and 1650 in the two works by Langenes and Bertius .

The illustration of the Cod Fish was intended to denote the rich fishing ground in the region, which by the end of the 16th Century had become among the most important areas for fishing in the North Atlantic and was plied by fishing fleets from a number of European Countries.

The map is also one of the earliest maps to depict Newfoundland as a single island, rather than a group of islands.

The present example is the second state of the map, which can be identified as follows:

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- State 1: No latitudinal scale along the left neatline (1598)
- State 2: Latitudinal scale along the left neatline (1599)
- State 3: The pagination h.2. added at lower right (1646)

An essential map for Canadian Collectors.

Detailed Condition:
One wormhole, else fine.