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Mappe-Monde Geo-Hydrographique ou Description Generale Du Globe Terrestre Et Aquatique En Deux-Plans-Hemispheres: ou sont Exactement Remarquees En General Toutes Les Parties De La Terre Et De L'Eau Suivant Les Relations Les Plus Nouvelles par G. Valc

Stock#: 37373
Map Maker: Valk

Date: 1686
Place: Amsterdam
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 23 x 19 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Scarce decorative double hemisphere map of the World, published by Gerard Valk in 1686.

Valk's world map utilizes the cartographic detail from Jaillot's influential world map of 1674, incorporating four striking baroque scenes representing joyous spring, industrious summer, bucolic autumn and icy winter, around the hemispheres. This is the first use of these corner scenes, which would re-appear on all of Valk's later World maps, including his monumental eight-sheet Nova Totius Terrarum.

The map shows California as an island on Sanson's projection, along with Sanson's seminal mapping of the Great Lakes. Terre Iesso extends from Japan to California. Only the East Coast of New Zealand is shown, along with an incomplete Australia, southern coast of Van Diemen's Land and a tentative residue of Terre Australe ou Inconnue (the unknown Southern Continent).

A nice old color example of this scarce and decorative world map.

Detailed Condition:
Old Color refreshed. Fold split at lower centerfold, expertly repaired on verso. Minor soiling at upper margin and a bit along the centerfold.