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Nova Totius Americae Descriptio Auct. F. De Wit 1660 (California shown as an Island)

Stock#: 41078
Map Maker: De Wit
Date: 1660
Place: Amsterdam
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 22 x 18 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Scarce first state of De Wit's decorative separately issued map of America, published in Amsterdam in 1660.

The map is comprised of an amalgam of sources. The decorative figures at the sides of the map derive from Van den Keere's map of 1614. The model for the island of California is based upon a rare English map by Luke Foxe, but the contiguous coast of the mainland from Foxe's map is inadvertently engraved as a river.

Hudson's Bay & the Great Lakes are derived from Blaeu. New Amsterdam is shown, but no evidence of English settlements.

Two Virginian Indians are among the illustrations.

The present example is the first state of the map, which can be identified by the date in the title.

Detailed Condition:

Remargined on all sides, with neat line at bottom left corner professionally reinstated. Centerfold reinforced.