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Cracovie in Pologne

Stock#: 44273
Map Maker: Longhi
Date: 1670 circa
Place: Bologna
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: Fair
Size: 39 x 20 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Previously Unrecorded View of Krakow

Apparently a unique survival, Giuseppe Longhi's view of Krakow is a remarkable artifact.

While based loosely on Braun & Hogenberg's large view of Krakow, the view includes two sheets of text in latin, with a description of the city dating back to the middle ages. The text references Daniele Cellario (Daniel Cellarius), a native of Wurtemberg, one of the collaborators who accumulated maps for De Jode's 1578 *Speculum Orbis Terrum*. Text date references also including Pope Urbano V, Sigismond I, and other famous persons in Polish and European History.

Gioseppe (Giuseppe) Longhi was an engraver in Bologna, who was active between 1670 and 1690. He is perhaps best known in cartographic circles as the publisher of a 12 sheet *Nova Totius Terrarum Orbis Tabula* (known in 3 examples), issued in about 1680, which is based upon Frederick De Wit's World Map of 1660 (Shirley 471. See also, *Cartographic Treasures of the Newberry Library*, October 10, 2001 - January 19, 2002 exhibition catalogue).

Longhi also issued a copy of Matthaus Greutter's 12-sheet wall map of Italy in 1676 and is known to have engraved 4 sheet views of Vienna, Prague, Genoa, Venice, Naples and Bologna, based upon the work of earlier Dutch engravers. Longhi was likely associated with Pietro Todeschi, who was active in Bologna from 1670 to 1690. We have been unable to locate any other cartographic works by Longhi.

The present view was unrecorded, until its discovery in 2015.

Detailed Condition:

Original Color. Significant loss.