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Stock#: 45660
Map Maker: Hondius & Mariette
Date: 1642
Place: Paris
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 22 x 15 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

The St. Laurence River Extending To the Rocky Mountains!

Rare world map by Pierre Mariette, with several remarkable cartographic features.

The map shows a massive landmass extending from California almost to Japan. Korea is shown as an oddly shaped Island, with the Great Wall plainly shown. Japan is also in a very curious shape, as are the Philippines.

The map includes details from Marco Polo, most notably the place name Beach in Terra Australis Incognita.

The shape of Florida is also quite unusual.

Perhaps most interesting is the extraordinary course of the St. Laurence River, which ends in the American Southwest, just to the North of a second named river/lake system, which originates in modern day Arizona and skirts under the mountain range depicted and into California, without any definite outlet to the sea, except perhaps to the Colorado River and the Sea of Cortez.

Several similar maps were produced in Paris by Berey and Boisseau, but each of the three is very rare.

Includes engraved images of compasses, celestial spheres, sailing ships, sea monsters, and Neptune embellish this rare early world map.



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Detailed Condition:

Minor toning. A few tears, just entering the printed images. Marginal repairs at upper right margin, with margin extended.