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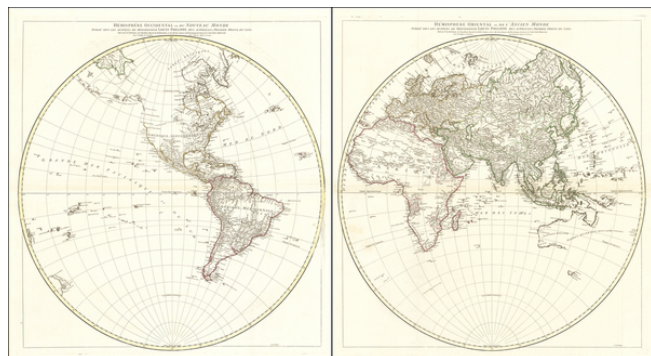
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**Hemisphere Occidental ou du Nouveau Monde . . . [and] Hemisphere Oriental ou de
L'Ancien Monde . . . MDCCLXI**

Stock#: 64273
Map Maker: d'Anville
Date: 1761
Place: Paris
Color: Outline Color
Condition: VG+
Size: 23.5 x 25.5 inches (each)
Price: \$ 1,400.00



Description:

First State of An Important Enlightenment Era Mapping of the World

Marvelous pair of large scale maps of the Eastern and Western Hemisphere, showing the known World on the eve of the first Voyage of Captain James Cook.

The map is a fine example of D'Anville enlightenment style, executing the work in a disciplined manner, so there is virtually no conjecture or myth in the details given in the two maps.

The cartographic detail represents the end of an era that was in fact filled with speculation, myth and misconception.

Western Hemisphere

The River of the West (R. courant a l'Ouest) is shown with a dashed line from Lake Ouinipigon (Winnipeg), illustrating its dubious existence, one of the last attempts to show a water course across North America. Further east, D'Anville shows only the hope that a portage might connect Hudson's Bay with Lake Winnipeg.

In the Northwest, a massive speculative peninsula reaches out from the unknown regions which would become Russian Alaska, approximating the Aleutian Islands on a massive basis, based upon the earliest reports of Russian exploration then being received from Joseph Nicolas De L'Isle and Gerhard Friedrich Muller, reporting from St. Petersburg.

Along the Northwest coast, and outline of the coastline is forming, with notes showing Tchirikow's coastline, along with the imaginary Coast of Admiral de Fonte and the Straits of Juan de Fuca. San



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Francisco has not yet been discovered, but Drake's Bay and other place names in California are present.

In the middle of the North American continent, the Missouri is shown extending nearly to the Big Bend. Five Great Lakes are illustrated. And the relative courses of the Colorado River and Rio Grande are beginning to take shape. Baja California is well projected for the period.

Further south, New Zealand is shown with a single coastline based upon Tasman's map. Straits of Magellan, Tierra del Fuego and the southern Chilean coastlines are still largely unknown, with no sign of land in the Antarctic Regions.

Eastern Hemisphere

The most noteworthy feature is still largely undiscovered south and east coasts of Australia, where a detached Van Diemen's Land floats southeast of the main continent.

The shape of Philippines is starting to come together, but is still not well defined.

Sincapura is named, but the Strait is still poorly defined, while no sign of Hong Kong exists.

Africa is still largely unexplored in its interior.

The Arabian Peninsula is still virtually uncharted, except on its Red Sea and southern coastlines.

Detailed Condition: