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[Archive of Hand-Drawn Maps and Views of World War I Battlefields]

Stock#: 64466
Map Maker: H.M.
Date: 1914 circa 1917
Place: n.p. (France)
Color: Pen & Ink with Wash Color
Condition: VG
Size: Various Sizes
Price: SOLD



Description:

A superb collection of 33 pen and ink and gouache drawings of World War I battlefields, a third of which are bird's eye views, and the remaining are manuscript maps. The drawings were evidently made as artwork to illustrate an as-of-yet-unidentified contemporary French publication documenting the First World War.

In terms of artistry and detail, the collection is unsurpassed as a World War I archive to have appeared on the market in recent decades; the artist "H.M." was clearly a professional illustrator with a flair for cartography. His body of work elucidates the contemporary French understanding of many of the large and dramatic clashes of the Great War, as well as some of the fascinating, if less-well-remembered, smaller battles.

World War I maps of serious antiquarian merit have been missing from the market in recent years, and so this collection presents an important opportunity for an institution or private collection to add coverage of one of the most important conflicts in human history.

Contents of the Collection

- Front Russe a la date du 16 Avril [BEV] 25 x 16 inches
- [Front near Pont-A-Mousson in Lorraine] 25.5 x 18 inches
- [Overview of Europe showing the blockade of the Central Powers] 19.5 x 12.5 inches
- [View of the northern Adriatic, showing Venice and Trieste, and looking north over the Alps] 25.5 x 15.5 inches
- [View of the Western Front, showing Lille, Ypres, Ostende] 21 x 13.5 inches
- [View of the Gulf of Thessaloniki] 31 x 18.5 inches



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- [View of the Pas-de-Calais front, from Arras to Béthune] 31.5 x 20.5 inches
- [View of the front near Suippes, looking north] 32 x 20 inches
- [View of the Western Front between Arras and Soisson] 19 x 27 inches
- [View of the front just north Verdun] 18 x 9.5 inches
- [View of the British Isles showing enemy attacks between 1915 and 1916] 17.5 x 11.5 inches
- [Map of the Italian or Alpine Front] 18 x 13.5 inches
- [Map of changes in the Western Front at Reims, between April 16th and 21st, 1917] 19.5 x 10.5 inches
- [Map of the Macedonian Front] 12 x 11.5 inches
- [Map of the Western Front at Verdun, between August 20th and 25th, 1917] 21 x 11 inches
- [Map of the Eastern Front between Belarus and Romania, showing the front in June, July, August, and September 1916] 8.5 x 25 inches
- [Map of the Western Front outside Cambrai] 15 x 16.5 inches
- [Map of the Western Front outside Bapaume] 14.5 x 11 inches
- [Map of the 1916 Romanian Campaign] 17 x 17 inches
- [Map of the Eastern Front in Latvia and Lithuania] 8 x 13.5 inches
- [Map of the Italian Front] 14 x 13 inches
- [Map of the Western Front northeast of Soissons] 17.5 x 9.5 inches
- [Map of the Kamerun Campaign in West Africa] 8 x 10.5 inches
- [Map of the Seige of Kut-El-Amara in Iraq] 11 x 7.5 inches
- [Map of the English Channel highlighting Schouwen-Duiveland] 9.5 x 8 inches
- [Map of Cernay and the Hartmannsweilerkopf Peak] 5.5 x 8.5 inches
- [Map of the Western Front Between Hebuterne and Courcellette] 7 x 9.5 inches
- [Map of Albania] 5.5 x 13 inches
- [Map of the Somme Front between Theipval and Combles] 14.5 x 10.5 inches
- [Map of the Western Front between Lille and Peronne] 10 x 20 inches
- [Map of the Western Front around Verdun] 18 x 9.5 inches
- [Map of the Italian Front north of Trieste] 5.5 x 13 inches
- [Map of Wallachia, including Bucarest] 10 x 13 inches

Detailed Condition:

Drawings in pen and ink or gouache on paper or thin card. There is some variation in condition but overall it is Very Good or better.