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Die gantze Welt in einem Kleberblat / Welches ist der Stadt Hannover meines lieben Baterlandes Wapen [Clover Leaf World Map]

Stock#: 66086
Map Maker: Buenting
Date: 1581 circa
Place: Magdeberg
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 14 x 11 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

The Cloverleaf Map of the World

Decorative example of Heinrich Bünting's striking clover leaf map of the World, from Heinrich Bünting's *Itinerarium Sacrae Scriptura* . . ., first published in Magdeburg in 1581.

The map presents a Holy Land-centric look at the earth, based upon the Scriptures, with Jerusalem at the center of the World, based upon the T-O world map model which was prevalent in medieval maps. Europe, Africa and Asia are within the 3 clover leaves, while England, Scandinavia and America lie outside the primary circles.

Bünting was a theological commentator from Hanover. He first published his *Itinerarium Sacrae Scriptura* in 1581. The work is famous among collectors as one of the great compilations of thematic maps, including Europe as a Queen and Asia as Pegasus. The ocean includes monsters, mermaids and a large sailing vessel. The work was reprinted at least 10 times in several languages over the next 70 years.

The title translation is "The Whole World in a Cloverleaf, Which is the Coat of Arms of Hannover, My Dear Fatherland."

Bünting's map is one of the most sought after 16th Century World maps.

Detailed Condition:



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Left margin expertly extended for framing. Right side trimmed into printed image, with missing paper and margin expertly reinstated. Minor restoration along centerfold.