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Carte de L'Afrique Corrigee et augmentee dessus toutes les aultres cy devant faictes Lannee Ao 1646

Stock#: 73692
Map Maker: Bertius / Van Lochem
Date: 1640
Place: Paris
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 19.5 x 14.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Rare 1646 State

Rare engraved map of Africa by Petrus Bertius presumed to have first been issued in Paris in 1624.

Betz (61.1) says that the first edition is "assumed to exist but location is not known" basing that on Tooley's description of the 1624 Bertius map of the Americas, which was surely issued along with maps of the other continents. Indeed, Burden (209) was also unable to locate a 1624 first state of the Americas map.

The Bertius map derives its cartography from the 1619 Jodocus Hondius Junior map of Africa and introduced that mapping to France. As such, it was widely copied in France from the 1620s through to the 1660s. Because of this, many French maps of Africa bear Bertius's name, even if they were first issued long after his death in 1629.

Betz 61.2 notes:

The second state is attributed to Michel van Lochem, as two of the four continent maps (not Africa nor America) bear Van Lochem's name. Van Lochem (1601-1647), born in Antwerp, was known as an engraver and printer in Paris. As Bertius died in 1629 and this state was not published until 1640, it is unclear if Van Lochem purchased the plates directly from Bertius or through some intermediary for his issue of the maps in 1640. The second state of the Africa map appears in some examples of



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Pierre D'Avity's Description Generale, published by Sonnius and Bechet in 1643.

Rarity

This is the first time we have ever had the 1646 state of the map.

Detailed Condition: