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(First Map of Peru) Peruani Regni Descriptio

Stock#: 75098 Map Maker: Wytfliet

Date: 1597 circa
Place: Louvain
Color: Uncolored

Condition: Good

Size: 11.25 x 9 inches

Price: \$ 750.00



Description:

The Earliest Obtainable Regional Map of Peru

Important early map of Peru, from Cornelis Wytfliet's *Descriptionis Ptolemaicae Augmentum*, the first atlas to focus on the mapping of the New World.

As noted by Burden:

In 1597 Cornelis van Wytfliet published his Augmentum to Ptolemy's Geography. This is true in as much as it covers all the Americas, a part of the world unknown to the latter; however, no other connection between them exists. Dedicated to Philip III of Spain it is a history of the New World to date, recording its discovery, natural history etc. For the book Wytfliet had engraved nineteen maps, by whom we do not know, one of the world and eighteen regional maps of the Americas. . . As such this book can be truly called the first atlas of America. It was an immediate success and ran to several editions.

An essential map for regional collectors.

Detailed Condition:

Dampstained, as shown.