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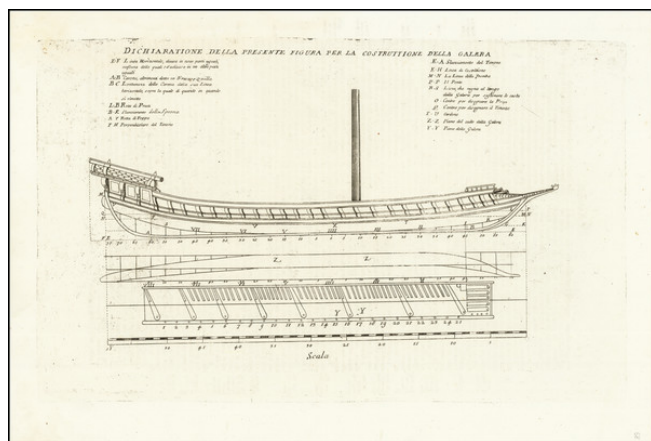
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[Constructing a Galley] Dichiarazione Della Presente Figura Per La Construttione d'una Gallera Colle Sue Dipendenze

Stock#: 76563
Map Maker: Coronelli
Date: 1690
Place: Venice
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG+
Size: 17 x 10.5 inches
Price: \$ 245.00



Description:

Antique engraved diagram showing the schematics for a galley, one of the largest ships in the Venetian Navy at the time when it was the foremost military power in the western Mediterranean. Engraved by one of the great Italian cartographers of the 17th century, Vincenzo Maria Coronelli, this work first appeared in his *Atlante Veneto*.

Several different views of the galley are presented, including a plan view and a cross-sectional view. Two additional views show the construction of the oars and the operation of the rudder. Note the navigator's chained foot, likely to prevent him from falling overboard.

The extensive index shows a schematic for a typical galley. Indices AA-EE provide dimensions for the major features, including the maximum length, the water depth, and the length of the keel. Additional letters provide descriptions of the other parts of the ship, describing the masts, helm, and rudder in detail.

Coronelli's *Atlante Veneto* was intended to accompany Blaeu's *Atlas Maior* and contained abundant maps. However, due to the idiosyncratic nature of the publication of the book, images of Coronelli's ships are rarer today than his maps are.

Detailed Condition: