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## **Description:**

Attractive original 16th-century woodcut showing the defenses on the city of Metz, in eastern France, in the midst of a siege.

The city is shown with its important buildings laid out. A key lists 34 points of interest and details the defenses and attacking armies. The church of Saint Glodesindis is shown with a toppled steeple.

The siege depicted is likely that conducted by Charles V in 1552 who attempted to retake the city from the French king Francis I, but failed. The famous 13th-century "Porte des Allemands," labeled "P" on the map, played a pivotal role in the city's defense.

## **Detailed Condition:**

Minor fold toning. See through to text on verso.