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(Mount Vesuvius) Vesuvius Mons Neapoleos [Warhaffte Contrafactur des Bergs Vesuuy, vnd deßelbigen Brandt sambt der vmbliegenden gelegenheit nach dem leben gezeichnet durch Ioachimo Sandrart 1635.]

Stock#: 86479
Map Maker: Merian
Date: 1635 (1688)
Place: Frankfurt
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 13 x 8.25 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Vesuvius in Full Eruption. The End of Quiescence.

Beautiful engraved bird's-eye view of the eruption of Mount Vesuvius, after an image by Sandrart. This view was published in Frankfurt in the 17th century and shows townspeople fleeing the volcano's wrath.

The image shows towns in the foothills of Vesuvius engulfed in flam. A key at the bottom lists eleven points on the view that are described in German.

This shows the eruption of 1631, which killed some 3000 people due to lahar flows. The volcano had been quiet since the 13th century but the 1631 eruption was a surprise. Semi-continuous eruptions continue to this day, with the last major eruption coming in 1944.

Detailed Condition:

Nice, wide margins.