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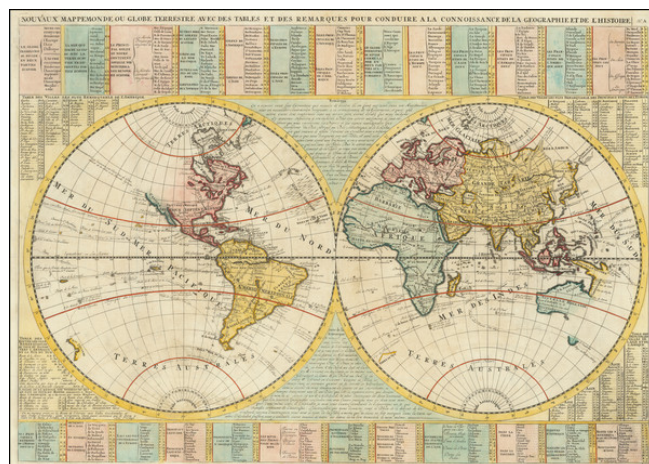
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## Nouveaux Mappemonde ou Globe Terrestre avec des Tables et des Remarques Pour Conduire a la Connoissance de la Geographie et de l'Histoire.

**Stock#:** 86512op  
**Map Maker:** Chatelain  
**Date:** 1719  
**Place:** Amsterdam  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 26.5 x 18.75 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

#### *With A Massive Sargasso Sea*

Decorative double hemisphere map of the World, from Chatelain's monumental 7 volume *Atlas Historique*, published in Amsterdam.

The two hemispheres are divided into a grid with a corresponding key. They are surrounded by a lengthy table, which identifies the locations of principal cities, bodies of water, islands, and other geographical features across the globe. The routes of prominent explorers are shown mapped out on both hemispheres, along with a list charting their travels. North America is still vastly unexplored with an uncharted western coastline. Australia and New Guinea are joined into one large landmass.

The map includes a massive Sargasso Sea, a region of the Atlantic Ocean bounded by four currents, which forms a gyre. The Sargasso Sea reports date to Christopher Columbus in 1492, who wrote about seaweed that he feared would trap his ship and potentially hide shallow waters that ran them aground, as well as a lack of wind that he feared would trap them. A 4th poem by the late fourth century author Avienius describes a portion of the Atlantic as being covered with seaweed and windless, drawing on a lost account by the 5th century BC Carthaginian Himilco the Navigator. The Himilco account was known to Columbus, who believed Himilco had reached the Sargasso Sea, as did other early modern explorers. However, modern scholars consider this unlikely.

This fine map is a wonderful example from Chatelain's important text. By combining a wealth of information and geographical observation, with delicate engraving and an uncomplicated composition, this



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elegant map is a superb example from the golden age of French mapmaking.

**Detailed Condition:**