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Stock#: 87912op
Map Maker: Schedel
Date: 1493
Place: Nuremberg
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 9 x 15.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

A beautiful example of Schedel's impressive 15th-century view of Memphis (called Cairo), from the 1493 Latin edition of his *Nuremberg Chronicles*.

This view, printed in 1493, represents a European's idea of the former city of Memphis, the ancient capital of Lower Egypt, which later became Cairo. Illustrating a section of the *Chronicles* focused on the escape of the Israelites from Egypt, Abraham is shown standing next to the walled city.

On the verso of the view of Memphis, the biblical story continues. Here, a woodblock represents the angel sent from God to stop him from killing his only son. Behind Abraham is the goat that God sent for Abraham to slay instead.



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Detailed Condition:

Minor 16th- or 17th-century ink marginalia.