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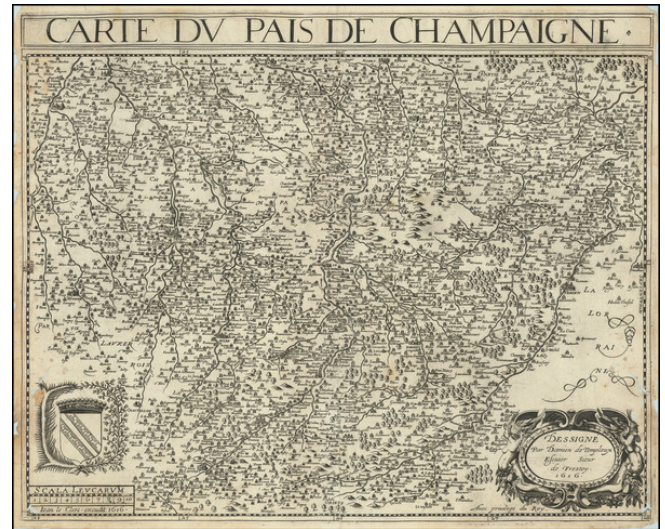
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Carte du Pais de Champagne . . . 1616

Stock#: 88968
Map Maker: Templeux / Le Clerc
Date: 1620 circa
Place: Paris
Color: Uncolored
Condition: Good
Size: 18.5 x 15 inches
Price: \$ 275.00



Description:

Rare early map of the Champagne region of France, by Jean Le Clerc, and orientated with west at the top. The map is centered on the course of the Marne river and shows Chalons-en-Champagne, Reims, Verdun, Vitry-Le-Francois, and many other cities and towns in the region.

The map originally appeared in Le Clerc's *Theatre Geogr du Royaume du France*. Following the earlier project of Bougearou to produce a French national atlas, Le Clerc produced this atlas starting in 1616, when he had to flee Paris following an anti-monarchist uprising. The earliest maps were engraved in Tours around this date, including the present, and the book would be published in several editions starting in 1620.

Le Clerc's maps are among the rarest of all French maps; this is the first time we have handled the item.

Detailed Condition:

Some worming and loss along right and left sides of the map. Minor soiling.