

Double-page engraved map.

CORONELLI'S MAP OF SHANTUNG AND PEKING

Xantung, e Peking provincie della China...

Author CORONELLI, Vincenzo

Publication date 1695.

Publisher

Publication place Venice,

Physical description Double-page engraved map.

Dimensions 460 by 620mm. (18 by 24.5 inches).

Notes

An extremely ornate map by Vincenzo Maria Coronelli, the great seventeenth century Italian cartographer. This particular map is from his 'Corso Geografico Universale', 1695, and fractures the provinces of Shantung and Peking. The Great Wall of China is displayed along with the Bay. The whole is completed by an ornate title cartouche.

A Minorite friar, cosmographer and cartographer, Coronelli (1640-1718) founded the first

geographical society, the Accademia degli Argonauti. In 1678 he built a pair of globes for the Duke of Parma that attracted the attention of the French ambassador, César d'Estrée who subsequently invited Coronelli to Paris. There Coronelli built the pair of gigantic, 15-foot globes which he presented to Louis XIV in 1683 and which would bring him fame throughout Europe. Upon his return to Venice, Coronelli was contracted by Jean-Baptiste Nolin (1657-1725) to publish a replica of these globes, scaled down to a diameter of 3 ½ -foot, and financed through subscription by members of the Argonauti.

Bibliography

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