



A rare Swedish edition of Hadol's serio-comic map of Europe

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Sweden, c.1870. Wood engraving, printed in colours. Sheet 335 x 480mm.

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A Swedish version of Hadol's separate-issue caricature map of Europe, satirising the political situation at the time of the Franco-Prussian war by caricaturing the countries with stereotypes. England is a crone with Ireland a dog on a lead, angry at being ignored by the rest of Europe; France and Prussia square up, preparing for the war that started in July that year; Prussia has one hand on the Netherlands and kneels on Austria's chest; Denmark has artificial legs, having lost Holstein also to Prussia; and Russia looks on, hoping to pick up the pieces left by Europe's struggles. The title states the map was copied from an English drawing; an identical map was published by Dubliner Joseph John Goggins, but it is unclear whether his or Hadol's version came first.

See BAYNTON-WILLIAMS: Curious Map Book, p.174 for the rare Goggins version.

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