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Rosaccio's 'Theatre of Heaven and Earth'

ROSACCIO, Giuseppe.

Teatro del Cielo, e della Terra, Del Dottor in Filosofia, e Medicina Gioseppe Rosaccio...

Venice, Domenico Lovisa, c.1712. 8vo, contemporary boards; pp. 140+(4), incl. title with woodcut world map after Macrobius, eleven woodcut maps, and text illus. including the world map repeated twice more.

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A series of essays on the world and the heavens, first published in Florence in 1594. It is illustrated with a series of rudimentary maps, double-page (except two) printed from two blocks on opposing pages. The maps are: Europe, British Isles (single-page, Shirley 188), Spain, France, Germany, Sardinia & Sicily (single), Central Europe (two halves of the map bound reversed), Greece (Zacharakis 2979), Africa (Betz: 30. this edition not listed), Asia & America (Burden: 89). The publisher, Domenico Lovisa, operated between 1710 and 1750.

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