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A fine pair of 18th century celestial hemispheres

DOPPELMAYR, Johann Gabriel.

Hemisphaerium Coeli Boreale. [&] Hemisphaerium Coeli Australe.

Nuremberg, Homann's Heirs, 1742. Coloured. Two sheets, ea. c.485 x 580mm.

£2,800

The Northern and Southern skies, divided into the Classical Constellations. In the corners are elevations of eight of the most important observatories of Europe, including Greenwich. Most of the constellations depicted are still familiar today, but on the Southern sheet is 'Robur Carolinum' (Charles's Oak), introduced by Edmund Halley in 1678 but not one of the 88 constellations recognised today.

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