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The province Sichuan from the first European atlas of China

BLAEU, Johannes. Suchuen Imperii Provincia Sexta.

Amsterdam, c.1655. Blank verso. Old colour with gold highlights. 405 x 480mm.

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A map of Sichuan, based on the map supplied by Martino Martini, the Jesuit missionary who travelled through China 1643-1650, and published in the 'Novus Atlas Sinensis', the first Western atlas of China. The title cartouche features two Chinese warriors; the scale cartouche has two allegorical figures of rivers, one probably representing the Yangtze.

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