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Rare map of the interests of the V.O.C. in the East Indies

RENNEVILLE, René Auguste Constantin. [Untitled map of the East Indies.]

Paris, c.1725. Coloured. 315 x 435mm.

£1,650

An important map of the East Indies with an inset of Buton, published to illustrate Renneville's 'Recueil des voiages qui ont servi à l'établissement & aux progrès de la Compagnie des Indes Orientales, formée dans les Provinces-Unies des Païs-Bas'. This was the first French translation of Isaac Commelin's account published in 1646. Commelin based his map on that of De Bry, 1619; this version still retains the two sea monsters. Renneville (1650-1723), a French protestant, spent over ten years imprisoned in the Bastille for 'having criminal correspondence with foreigners'.

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