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A SCARCE BIRD'S-EYE VIEW OF CONSTANTINOPLE

£1,200.00

Constantinopel.

Cartographer Anonymous.

Date 1731

Stock #: 16082

Publication: Frankfurt: Heirs of Sigismund Latomi, 1731.

320 x 380mm.

Condition: Narrow top margin, very fine impression.

DESCRIPTION:

A finely engraved elevated view of Istanbul, with the buildings shown in perspective. Ships fill the seas, with three firing cannon. It was published in a newsbook, 'Relationis Historicae semestralis autumnalis continuatio', written by 'Jacobus Francus'. Originally this was a pseudonym used by Conrad Lautenbach (1534-95) when the series began in the 16th century, but the name was adopted by subsequent writers of the newsbook.