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## **A NUREMBERG ENLIGHTENMENT**

**[Terrestrial and celestial globe].**

### **Author**

BAUER, Johann Bernard.

### **Publication date**

c.1810.

### **Publisher**

Joh. Bernh. Bauer, Mechanicus,

### **Publication place**

Nuremburg,

### **Physical description**

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### **Dimensions**

Diameter: 100mm (4 inches).

## Notes

### Biography

Johann Bernard Bauer (1752-1839) was a scientific instrument and globemaker working in Nuremberg, along with his sons Carl Johann Sigmund (1780-1857) and Peter Bauer (1783-1847). Johann is recorded as the engraver of a celestial globe by Georg Klinger in 1790; he also published some late editions of the Doppelmayr globes. His sons are best known for their miniature globes published for the educational market.

### Geography

The globe offers a simple outline of the continents and four oceans are named. The “Antipoten of Nuremberg” is marked with “Vancovens In” at the north-west coast of America. Tasmania is labelled “Van Diemen Ld.” and is drawn as an island, which suggests a date of construction after 1805.

### Astronomy

The stars are represented by different symbols but there is no magnitude label shown. The 48 Ptolemaic constellations are visible as well as three non-Ptolemaic constellations. Four of the southern constellations are drawn as well as those of Plancius, a few of those of Hevelius and six of Lacaille. However not all the southern constellations are labelled.

## Bibliography

### Provenance

**Price:** £20000

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