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# **BOOK SUPPLIER TO THE KING OF ITALY**

Catalogo di alcune fra le migliori e piu' recenti carte geografiche e Topografiche.

#### **Author**

MAGGI, Giovanni Battista

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#### **Notes**

Unrecorded edition of one of the very rare stock lists of Giovanni Battista Maggi, an Italian publisher and trader of maps, who later became a famous photographer.

He was the official supplier of books and maps to his majesty Victor Emanuel II of Italy, as indicated on the title-page: "provveditore di stampe di s[ua] m[aesta]".

The catalogue contains a large number of maps of countries from all over the world, with a large selection of maps of Italy, but also notable selections of Germany, Asia, America and France. Apparently only a few of the maps were published by Maggi himself. One of the maps of Italy by Sagansan bears the date 1862, so the present inventory was probably issued around the same time, as is confirmed by several other maps, such as Andriveau Goujon's 'Carte physique et politique de l'Europe', which was published in 1860. At least two other equally scarce editions of Maggi's stock lists are known, one of 11 pages and one of four, but the dates of publication are unclear.

## **Bibliography**

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