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CRUQUIUS'S LARGE WALL MAP OF THE DELFT REGION

't Hooge Heemraedschap van Delflant.

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CRUQUIUS, N[icolaas] and J[acob]

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Delft,

Physical description
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Dimensions

Notes
Beautifully engraved map, a reduced from of the wall map, of 't Hooge Heemraedschap van Delfland prepared by Nicolaas and Jacob Kruikius. Decorated with the Delfland coat of arms supported by 2 allegorical figures in its centre: 10 large coats of arms of the water district officials down the left and right sides, an elaborate compass rose (north above right): and pastoral scenes.
It shows every city, town and village.

The compass rose is remarkable, with a globe at its centre showing Africa, Europe and parts of Asia and South America: with gods representing the sun, moon and planets in the other seven: and a celestial map with figures representing signs of the zodiac between the points.
The Delfland dike and water authorities commissioned the surveyors Nicolaas (1678-1754) and Jacob Kruikius (1684-1706) to produce the present map in 1701, and they devoted more than a decade to the task. By the mid-century only one of the original dike and water authorities remained in office. The main map was not revised, but the overview map was replaced with a newly drawn and engraved one, ordered in 1750. °
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Bibliography

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