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## POSTMASTERS OF THE EMPIRE...

### Les Marques d'Honneur de la Maison de Tassis

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#### Dimensions

413 by 250mm. (16.25 by 9.75 inches).

#### Notes

A celebration of the family of Thurn and Taxis, hereditary postmasters of the Empire, notable for the

fine double-page plate by Hollar of the funeral procession of Jean-Baptiste de Tassis, behind which procession, the life of the town continues in all vigour and vitality. Hollar also adds the landscapes to the coat of arms of the Thurn and Taxis family found on p.129. The other plates are fine portraits and funeral monuments, several by Cornelius Galle, of various members of the family.

**Bibliography**

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