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RARE SEPARATELY ISSUED CHART OF THE BALTIC SEA

Dese Nieuwe en Curieuze Paskaart van de Geheele Oost Zee. Werd aan del wel Ed. lem Gestrengen Manhaft, Heer, de Heer Christoffel Middagten Schout Benagt wegens het Edle Mogde Collgie ter Admiraliteit van Vriesland als een Vrugt van zÿn Eÿgen werken met alle Eerbied opgedragen, door zÿn wel Edelhÿts Ootmoedige en verpligten Dienaar Joannes Loots.

Author
MIDDAGTEN, Chritoffel [Rear Admiral]

Publication date
[1706-1717].

Publisher
Johannes Loots,

Publication place
Amsterdam,

Physical description
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Dimensions
610 by 1020mm (24 by 40.25 inches).

Notes
The chart is by the Dutch Rear-Admiral Christoffel Middagten (?1659-1723). In 1705, after his

retirement from the Navy, Middagten set about producing sea charts and several treaties on the art of navigation. He states in his work: 'Nieuw Bericht strekkende tot Verbeetering der Scheeps-Bouw…', Harlingen, 1717-1721, that he drew 13 charts of the Northern Navigation. These and eight other charts (Gernez mentions 21 charts by Middagten) were issued separately by Johannes Loots between 1706-1717. The charts were, however, not a commercial success as they 'were inferior to most of the Dutch charts at the time as they were not drawn with increasing latitudes apart from one' (Koeman).

All charts by Middagten are rare. The OCLC gives locations for only 11 of his charts, and we were unable to trace any institutional copy of the present chart.

Bibliography
Koeman IV p.422; D. Gernez, Le libraire néerlandais Johannes Loots…, Communications de Marine de Belgique, Tome VIII, 1954, p.23-71.

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