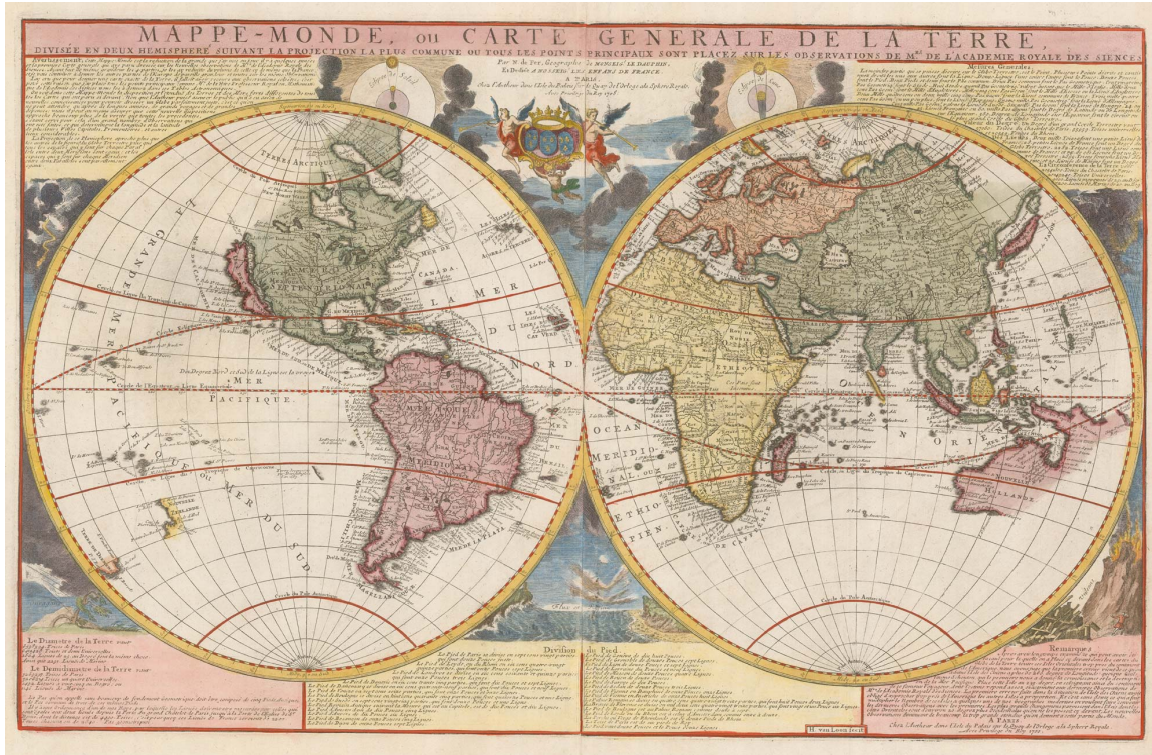




De Fer's two-sheet world map

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Mappe-Monde, ou Carte Generale de la Terre. divisée en deux Hemispheres suivant la Projection la plus commune ou tous les points principaux sont placez sur la observations de m.rs de l'Academie Royale des Siences.

Paris, 1705. Coloured. Two sheets conjoined. 435 x 690mm.

£2,800

A large-format map of the world engraved by Henrick van Loon after a four-sheet map he and de Fer issued in 1694, but with updated geographical features. California is shown as an island and Australia and Tasmania appear in different hemispheres, with Cape York connected to New Guinea. The borders have vignettes of a volcano, tides, eclipses, and meteorological events such as lightning, with the French Royal Arms in the upper cusp. The text boxes contain estimates of the diameter of the Earth and lists of the definition of a 'foot' in different countries.

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