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THE NATURAL HISTORY OF NORWAY, INCLUDING SEA-MONSTERS!

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The Natural History of Norway: containing, A particular and accurate Account of the Temperature of the Air, the different Soils, Waters, Vegetables, Metals, Minerals, Stones, Beasts, Birds, and Fishes; together with the Dispositions, Customs, and Manner of Living of the Inhabitants...

Cartographer	PONTOPPIDAN, Erich.
Date	1755
Stock #:	11264
Publication:	London: A. Linde, 1755. Folio, rebound in full calf gilt with original front board, marbled edges; two parts in one; pp. xxiv + 206 + viii + 292 + (xi)(index); coloured folding map, 27 engr. plates and a plan, as called for.
Condition:	A good example.

DESCRIPTION:

First and only English edition of Erich Pontoppidan's description of Norway. Pontoppidan (1698-1764), the Bishop of Bergen 1747-54 and a member of the Royal Academy of Sciences at Copenhagen, published the Danish version in 1752-3. The first part deals with geology and plants, the second animals, birds and sea creatures, including a depiction of a huge sea serpent. The folding map, a derivation of Homann's map 'corrected by Martin Hubner, Professor of History at the University of Copenhagen', was probably engraved by Thomas Kitchin. There was no map in the Danish edition.