



The Southern Discovery By A Flying Man, Or The French Daedalus, Rétif De La Bretonne, 1781

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Signature : Restif de la Bretonne

Period : 18th century

Condition : En l'etat

Material : Paper

Description

Restif de la Bretonne, *The Southern Discovery by a Flying Man, or the French Daedalus*, 1781 This rare first edition is illustrated with 20 engravings and two frontispieces, all in fine condition. This famous work is an allegory in which a flying man travels to distant lands and discovers various societies whose inhabitants are extravagant--lion-men, pig-men, snake-men, and so on. Despite its poetic and fanciful nature, the work contains a philosophical message at a time when the entire world was being explored. This work, two volumes in one, in 12° format, is in a period binding of half calf with leather corners; note the damaged caps, a cracked spine, and small losses.

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