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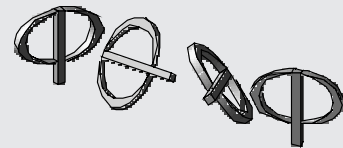
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In this image, the chaotic is superimposed onto the rationalized. The dark foreground was created using traditional copperplate etching taken to an extreme: the usually controlled technical processes were allowed to run their natural course, resulting in a deeply etched, corroded abstraction. The plate was printed onto a NYC subway map. The image is a meditation on the ever-changing, transmutable nature of geography, and simultaneously a challenge to the authority of the map.