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Angliae et Hiberniae Accurata Descriptio Veteribus et Recentioribus Nominibus Illustratus Et Ad D. Guilel. Camden Britanniam Accomodata . . .

Stock#: 32518bp
Map Maker: Ortelius / Vrients
Date: 1608
Place: Antwerp
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 22.5 x 17 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Fine example of Vrients map of the British Isles, which appeared only in the 1608 and later editions of Ortelius' *Theatrum Orbis Terrarum*, the first modern atlas of the World.

Vrients map is one of the most elegantly engraved and distinctively designed maps of the British Isles to appear in a commercial atlas. In 1601 Antwerp publisher Jan Baptist Vrients, after the great cartographer's death, took over publication of the *Theatrum* ..., gradually adding new maps, though not necessarily replacing existing plates.

Among the new maps was this of England, Wales and Ireland, with a genealogical table for the English Royal Family, at top right, and engraving, "... of the highest standard with artistically placed sea monsters, galleons, a mermaid, Neptune, and other decorative features" (Shirley). Here in its second state, with re-engraved panel removing the dedication to James I.

An exceptional copy of a map that often appears with some damage, due to its size. Most examples include facsimile along the top and bottom, but this example is exceptional.

Detailed Condition: