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The Kingdome of Scotland

Stock#: 12272
Map Maker: Speed
Date: 1676
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 20 x 15 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

One of the most famous maps of Scotland, with an inset of the Orkneys. First issued 1611-12, the plate originally had portraits of James VI of Scotland and I of England, his wife Anne and their two sons. However in 1652 the Puritan ascendancy made it necessary to re-engrave the plate, removing the Royal family, to be replaced by costume vignettes of a Scotch (i.e. lowland) man & woman and their wilder Highland neighbours. The checked garments worn by the second pair are considered to be one of the earliest depictions of tartan. One of the earliest maps of Scotland published in the British Isles. Engraved by Jodocus Hondius, the map is a true work of art, combining great detail with artistic flourishes, including a compass rose, cherubs, ships, sea monsters, the Royal coats of arms. An unusually wide margined example, with English text on the verso.

Detailed Condition: