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Anglia II Nova Tabula [British Isles]

Stock#: 2321
Map Maker: Munster
Date: 1542
Place: Basle
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG+
Size: 13.5 x 10 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Munster's map of England was the first separately printed map of England and a landmark in the cartographic landmark in the history of British maps. The map is oriented with East at the top and extends to Edinburg in the North, also showing the East Coast of Ireland. A key in the upper left corner shows the English and Latin names for 17 major place names in England. The map includes the Royal Standard at the top center and the Scottish flag at lower left. The map is unchanged from the 1540 edition. Munster's Geographia was a cartographic landmark, including not only Ptolemaic maps, but also a number of landmark modern maps, including the first separate maps of the 4 continents, the first map of England and the earliest obtainable map of Scandinavia. Munster dominated cartographic publication during the mid-16th Century. Munster is generally regarded as one of the three most important map makers of the 16th Century, along with Ortelius and Mercator. Munster was a linguist and mathematician, who initially taught Hebrew in Heidelberg. He issued his first mapping of Germany in 1529, after which he issued a call geographical information about Germany to scholars throughout the country. The response was better than hoped for, and included substantial foreign material, which supplied him with up to date, if not necessarily accurate maps for the issuance of his Geographia in 1540.

Detailed Condition: