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the Kingdome of China newly augmented by I.S. 1626

Stock#: 24577
Map Maker: Speed

Date: 1626
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 20 x 15 inches

Price: SOLD

Description:

Decorative full color example of the first edition of John Speed's map of China, showing George Humble in Popshead as the seller.

The Great Wall is depicted on the map, along with several annotations. Korea shown as an Island. Japan is also shown using a very curious depiction.

The map includes a portion of India within the Ganges region, extending well into Central Asia. In addition to the wonderful views showing a sailing land craft, manner of execution and city views of Macao and Quinzay and the costumed figures of Chinese, Japanese and Pegu men and women, there are interesting notes throughout the map on various historical & mythical aspects of China, including a region where men are seduced by wonderful illusions and dirt is spun into cloth.

Detailed Condition:
Minor discoloration at centerfold. Minor separation at lower centerfold, extending into image, repaired on verso.