

## **Barry Lawrence Ruderman Antique Maps Inc.**

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Lancastriae Comitatus Palattinus, Continens in se Oppida Mercatoria XVI Ecclesiaque Parochiales Tantum XXXVI Sed Illae Valde Populosae, et Quae Maximas Alibi Paroecias Incolarum Multitude Ne Longe Superant: Praeter Plurimas Capellas

Stock#: 54587 Map Maker: Stent

Date: 1602 circa?
Place: London
Color: Uncolored

**Condition:** VG-

**Size:** 19 x 14.5 inches

**Price:** SOLD



## **Description:**

Rare Map of the County of Lancaster, published in London by Peter Stent.

Oriented with west at the top.

In the early 1600s the Herald and genealogist, William Smith, began compiling maps of each county mainly based on those of Christopher Saxton or John Norden, for a new atlas project, which he soon abandoned. The 12 maps completed by Smith were separately issued as broadsheets and later appeared in the stock of London map and print seller Peter Stent and, later still, with John and Henry Overton.

R.A. Skelton, author of the definitive "County Atlases 1579 -1703 p.21, comments that the Stent issued at the time of the Civil War are now "extremely scarce". Both the Saxton and Smith series (the latter also termed the "Anonymous" series) are elegant examples of Elizabethan cartography.

This map is a close copy of Smith's original map of which only one printed example of the first state is known.

## **Detailed Condition:**

Loss of image in title.