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The Kingdome of Irland Devided into severall Provinces and the againe devided into Counties Newly described. . . . 1610

Stock#: 62782
Map Maker: Speed

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

Price: SOLD



Description:

Highly decorative map of Ireland, engraved in Amsterdam by Jodocus Hondius, for an early edition of Speed's Theatre of Great Britaine.

Speed's map is considered perhaps the best depiction of Ireland of its time. 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, and vignette depictions of The Gentleman of Ireland; The Gentlewoman of Ireland; The Civill Irish Woman; The Civill Irish Man; The Wilde Irish Man; The Wilde Irish Woman. A superb rich impression.

The sea is engraved in the style made famous by Hondius and is best appreciated in the early states, before the effect is lost as delicate engraving of this type soon wore smooth.

The map was re-issued many times in Speed's atlases and as a separate publication. English text on verso.

Bearing the names Sudbury and Humble. A gorgeous example, from an early edition of the atlas, still bearing the date of 1610.

Detailed Condition:
Margins extending, with some restoration to the neatlines.