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Persia

Stock#: 67308
Map Maker: Speed / van den Keere
Date: 1646
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: Good
Size: 5 x 3.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

A nice example of Speed's map of Persia, from Speed's *Epitome*. The map extends from the Black Sea and the Persian Gulf to the Tartaria and the Empire of Tacalistan and Cabul.

The Caspian Sea widens east-west and is given two alternate names: the Sea of Bachu and the Hyrcanian Sea. The Caspian Sea refers to the Caspi people of Transcaucasia, while the Hyrcanian Sea is the classical name for the region south-east of this body of water. The "Bachu" name comes from a Persian city now the capital of Azerbaijan and was the preferred name given by Medieval cartographers. Alternative names are given for many other features and regions.

This map is a strong dark impression of the region. The map was engraved by Peter Van Den Keere (Petrus Kaerius).

Detailed Condition:

Slight show-through of text on verso. General even toning of paper.