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Hydrographica descriptio, in qua Orientales et Meridionales Hybernici, orã maritimã, portus item omnes ã promontorio vulgo C. vello, dicto, usquã ad Waterfordiam, hinc ad civitatem Dublin, necnon quomodo ad eas navigare liceat, evitatis vadis, brevius, & syrtibus summa diligentia et cura = Beschrijvinge der Zeecusten van de Zuijdsiide ende de Oost-Siide van Irlandt

Stock#: 75629
Map Maker: Barentsz / Claesz / van den Keere
Date: 1596
Place: Amsterdam
Color:
Condition:
Size:
Price: SOLD



Description:

The First Sea Chart of Ireland.

A superb example of one of the great rarities of 16th-century Dutch chart-making, and one of the most desirable maps for the early mapping of Ireland.

The map starts at Dundalk ("Dondalck") in the north (i.e., upper-right), proceeds south past Dublin ("Dubling") and Cork ("Korck"), ending around Kinsale ("Kynsal").

The chart appeared in a stable publication as one of two new maps added in the 1596 edition of the Claesz-published Waghenaer *Den Nieuwen Spieghel der Zeevaert*. The second new map in the book was of Scandinavia. Schilder found evidence in the 1609 Claesz catalog that the latter map was sold separately, and the same would seem to be the case with the present map of Ireland.

This map is a very fine representation of Kaerius's engraving style, which is heightened by the vibrant original hand-coloring of the scheme associated with the best Waghanaer chart books.

There is an inset in the upper-left corner of the coast between Galway ("Galloway") and Limerick ("Lemrick") titled: *Hydrographica descriptio civitatis Galway et Lemric (quæ sunt præcipui portus orarum Occidentalium Hybernici) in que quomodo eas adnavigare. vadaq. et brevia evitare liceat, accuratè*



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designatur = Beschrijvinge van Galwaii ende Lemrick de princiipaelste havenen aende west siide van Irlandt gelegen hoemen daer in seyle sal ende alle clippen ende ondiepten schouwen sal.

Rarity

Two copies of the map have appeared on the market in the last 20+ years, one in 2008 and 2010, and another in 2014.

Detailed Condition: