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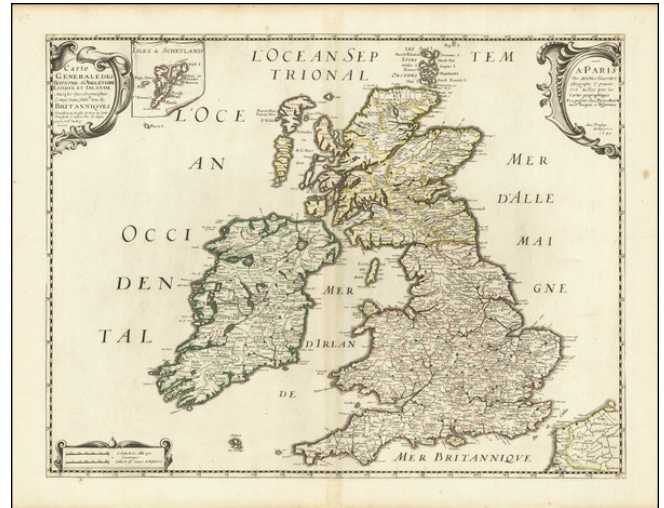
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**Carte Generale des Royaume D'Angleterre Escosse et Irlande Avecq les Isles
circonnuisines Conues toutes Soubs le nom Britaniques . . . 1640**

Stock#: 79439
Map Maker: Tavernier / Sanson
Date: 1640
Place: Paris
Color: Outline Color
Condition: VG+
Size: 21 x 16 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Fine example of Nicolas Sanson's first map of the British Isles, engraved by Melchior Tavernier and published by Pierre Mariette. The map shows England, Wales, Scotland, and Ireland with an inset of the Shetlands and two decorative cartouches.

The map includes a curious style of coloring, in which certain islands are colored differently to the regions they pertain to. The Isle of White, Anglesey, and some of the Hebrides are colored in this fashion.

The distortion of Ireland and the condensed size of Scotland are in part caused by the projection used by Sanson. This map was much copied by other French publishers around 1645 and also, surprisingly, by Richard Blome (in London) in 1669, attesting to both Sanson's influence and this map's importance. Blome's map was engraved by Francis Lamb and - unusually for Blome - acknowledged its source as being Sanson.

Detailed Condition:

Original hand-color in outline. Minor fold toning. Minor toning along top margin.