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NORTHERN GREECE FROM THE FIRST ENGLISH EDITION OF THE 'ATLAS MINOR'

£110.00

Macedonia, Epirus et Achaia.

Cartographer	HONDIUS, Jodocus.
Date	1635
Stock #:	22452
Publication:	London: Michael Sparke and Samuel Cartwright, 1635. Coloured. 145 x 180mm, set in English letterpress.
Condition:	A good example.

DESCRIPTION:

A small format map of northern Greece, marking Athens and Corfu, decorated with a strapwork cartouche for the title and scale. It was published in the 'Historia mundi, or, Mercator's Atlas. Containing his Cosmographical Description of the Fabricke and Figure of the World', in which all the maps were printed perpendicular to the text.

The 'Atlas Minor', the pocket version of the Mercator atlas, was first published in 1607, with several editions up to 1621. Soon afterwards the printing plates were sold to a London publisher, and were used to illustrate 'Hakluytus Posthumus, or Purchas his Pilgrimes' by Samuel Purchas in 1625. A decade later this 'Historia mundi' was the first English edition of the 'Atlas Minor', with text translated into English by Wye Saltonstall.