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THE RARE ENGLISH EDITION OF JANSSON'S MAP OF ICELAND

£1,300.00

Novissima Islandiae Tabula. Sumptimus Janssonio-Waesbergiorum, Moses Pitt et Stephani Swart.

Cartographer JANSSON, Jan.

Date 1680

Stock #: 25253

Publication: Oxford: Moses Pitt, Steven Sward and

Johannes Jansson a Waesberge, 1680, blank verso. Coloured. 380 $\rm x$

500mm.

Condition: A good example.

DESCRIPTION:

A fine map of Iceland, based on a map by Joris Carl (1601-25), a pilot from Enkhuizen, decorated with ornate cartouches for the title and scale, a pair of compass roses and a vignette sea-monster.

This example comes from the ill-fated attempt to publish a multi-volume atlas in Oxford, under the supervision of Moses Pitt (c.1639-97). Only four volumes were published before Pitt was declared banckrupt and sent to Elect Prison

For this edition the title was altered, the two cartouches redrawn and gradule lines added.