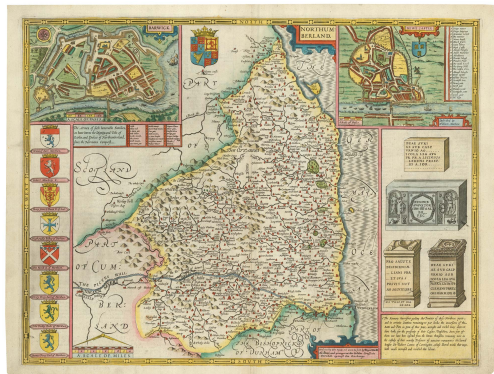




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## A SCARCE ISSUE OF JOHN SPEED'S MAP OF NORTHUMBERLAND

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Northumberland.

<b>Cartographer</b>	SPEED, John.
<b>Date</b>	1665
<b>Stock #:</b>	24023
<b>Publication:</b>	London, Roger Rea & Son, 1665. Coloured.
<b>Condition:</b>	A good example.

### DESCRIPTION:

An important map of Northumberland, engraved by Jodocus Hondius for John Speed's county atlas, 'The Theatre of the Empire of Great Britain', first published 1611-12. It is one of the most decorative maps of the county, with inset plans of Berwick and Newcastle, armorials and antiquities. An English text on the reverse gives a history of the county and an extensive list of towns and villages.

This example comes from the Roger Rea issue of the atlas, which was beset with disaster: according to an advert for the 1676 Bassett & Chiswell edition, "the greatest part of an Impression, then newly Printed, [was] destroyed by the late dreadful Fire, 1666". Surviving examples of any Rea map are thus rare.