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RARE LATIN-TEXT EDITION OF SPEED'S MAP OF WORCESTERSHIRE

£750.00

Worcestershire described...

Cartographer SPEED, John.

Date 1616

Stock #: 22189

Publication: London: John Sudbury & George Humble,

1616, Latin text edition. Coloured. 380 x 510mm.

Condition: A good example.

DESCRIPTION:

Engraved by Jodocus Hondius, this is one of the most decorative maps of the county, with an inset town plan of Worcester, armorials, and a vignette battle scene. On verso is a Latin text history of the county.

This example comes from the only non-English edition of Speed's Theatre, produced for the Continental market. Its lack of success makes it comparatively scarce: it was only after 1918 that the British Museum obtained a complete Latin volume.