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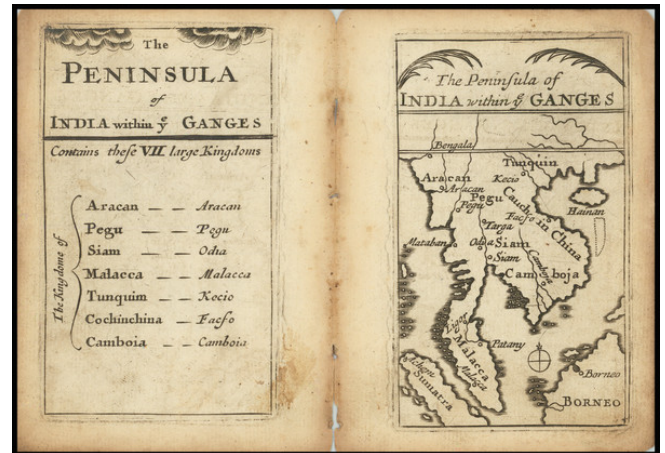
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Map Maker: Seller
Date: 1679
Place: London
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 2.25 x 3.75 inches each
Price: \$ 395.00



Description:

Rare London published map of centered on Thailand and the Malaysian Peninsula by John Seller, which appeared in his highly regarded *Atlas Minimus* in 1679.

The map identifies VII Kingdoms, where were:

1. **Aracan:** This refers to the historical region of Arakan, also known as Rakhine State, located on the western coast of Burma (Myanmar). It's famous for its independent kingdoms and unique cultural traditions that existed for centuries before falling under Burmese control in the late 18th century.
2. **Pegu:** This represents the old kingdom of Pegu, or Bago, which was a major power in present-day Myanmar. The kingdom was known for its architectural and cultural achievements, including the construction of numerous pagodas.
3. **Siam:** This kingdom corresponds to the historical region that is now modern Thailand. Siam was a powerful and independent entity during the era, known for its strong governance system and cultural influences that continue to persist in Thai society today.
4. **Malacca:** This kingdom corresponds to the historic sultanate of Malacca on the Malay Peninsula. It was a major trading port and had significant influence on the maritime trade routes between China and India in the 15th and 16th centuries.



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5. **Tunquin:** This refers to Tonkin, the northernmost part of Vietnam, which was historically a separate political entity. Its culture and traditions have significantly contributed to the overall Vietnamese identity.
6. **Cochinchina:** This corresponds to the southern region of Vietnam, known for its fertile plains and historic conflicts. It became a French colony in the mid-19th century.
7. **Cambodia:** This kingdom refers to the historic region that is now the modern state of Cambodia. This area was home to the powerful Khmer Empire, known for constructing the famous Angkor Wat temple complex.

The map's depiction of these seven kingdoms offers an intriguing view of Southeast Asia from the perspective of a 17th-century European cartographer. Although the map reflects a European viewpoint and carries the limitations of the era's geographic knowledge, it remains a valuable document for understanding historical geography and the European perception of Asia during the time.

Rarity

This is the first time we have offered the map for sale.

Detailed Condition: