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## Carte Generale des Royaume D'Angleterre Escosse et Irlande Avecq les Isles circonnuisines Conues toutes Soubs le nom Britaniques . . . 1640

**Stock#:** 49079  
**Map Maker:** Tavernier / Sanson  
**Date:** 1640  
**Place:** Paris  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 21 x 15.5 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

Fine example of Nicolas Sanson's first map of the British Isles, engraved by Melchior Tavernier and published by Pierre Mariette.

Nice example of Sanson's first map of the British Isles. The distortion of Ireland and the condensed size of Scotland is, in part, caused by the projection used by Sanson. This map was much copied by other French publishers around the 1645 and also by Richard Blome (in London) in 1669. Blome's map was engraved by Francis Lamb and - unusually for Blome - acknowledged its source as being Sanson.

Nicolas Sanson (1600-67) was an influential cartographer who is described by many authorities as the founder of the French School of Geography. In his early days he was tutor to Louis XIII and after his death in 1667 the business was continued by his three sons, Nicolas, Adrian and Guillaume. Later, his grandson, Pierre Moulard-Sanson and then his nephew, Gilles Robert de Vaugondy, continued the firm until the end of the eighteenth century.

### Detailed Condition: