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Novissima et Accuratissima Insulae Jamaicae. Descriptio per Johannem Sellerum . . .

Stock#: 57347
Map Maker: Seller
Date: 1672 circa
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 21.7 x 17 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

A Rare Early Map of Jamaica

Rare early English map of Jamaica, published in London by John Seller.

The source of Seller's map of John Man's second map. John Man was surveyor general of Jamaica from 1661 to his death sometime around 1671.

The map depicts the most prominent settlements with the landowners named in the large key at bottom. Port Royal is correctly located, and there are numerous settlements shown in the southern portion of the island. Anchorages, rocks, shoals and depth soundings are identified along the coastline.

The map is handsomely embellished with a strapwork title cartouche supporting the coat of arms of Jamaica and putti holding aloft the coats of arms of Governors of the island: Doyley, Winsor, Modiford and Lynch. The large dedication cartouche is left blank, surmounted by Indians and flanked by alligators. Additional decorative elements include a man shooting a bull, a compass rose, a sea monster and a sailing ship.

The map includes a dedicatory cartouche to Jos. Williamson includes Williamson's coat of arms.

Detailed Condition:

Old color. Narrow margins. Minor toning.