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South America Divided into its Principall Parts where are distinguished the severall States which belong to the Spanish English, Portugals and French . . . 1680

Stock#: 70924
Map Maker: Berry
Date: 1680
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 35 x 22 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Rare two-sheet antique English map of South America, published by William Berry in London in 1681.

William Berry and Robert Morden petitioned the King of England for a license to publish maps for a world atlas in 1678. By 1680, William Berry, then working alone, had completed a 2-sheet map of the World. The present map also bears the date of 1680 in the scale of miles, but was likely not completed until 1681, the same year as his map of North America.

The map is largely based upon Alexis Hubert Jaillot's map of 1674, although the names have been significantly anglicized and there are other additions and corrections.

William Berry's atlas is very rare. Burden notes the existence of only a few examples, making the present map a remarkable survival.

Detailed Condition:

Original hand-color in part (geographic boundaries) with some later additions. Centerfold and marginal toning. The upper margin repaired to neatline just to the left of the centerfold. Scattered toning elsewhere.