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### [England & Wales] Anglia, Regnum si quod aliud in toto Oceano ditissimum et florentissimum

**Stock#:** 72151  
**Map Maker:** Le Clerc  
**Date:** 1605  
**Place:** Paris  
**Color:** Outline Color  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 17.75 x 15 inches inches  
**Price:** SOLD



#### Description:

#### *Le Clerc's Rare Map of England Annotated in a Contemporary Hand*

Fine example of first state of Le Clerc's rare map of England and Wales, based upon the earlier maps of Christopher Saxton and Jan Baptiste Vrient.

This very handsome work is based on Christopher Saxton's pioneering survey of England and Wales, and is one of the rarest maps of England

Jean Le Clerc was an engraver, bookseller and publisher who spent a number of years in Tours before moving to Paris sometime around 1594.

While based upon Saxton and crediting Saxton at the right side of the map, Le-Clerc has copied the Vrients-Saxton map of 1603. It replicates Saxton's map of England of 1579 in a beautifully engraved style. A naval battle is taking place off the Cornish coast.

The map is often found in poor condition but here is in fine condition.

#### Christopher Saxton

In the 1570s, Lord Burghley, the chief minister to Queen Elizabeth I, commissioned Christopher Saxton to conduct the first systematic survey of each of the counties of England and Wales. The result was the



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publication of Saxton's magnificent *Atlas of England and Wales* (1579), which included his groundbreaking national map *Anglia*. It took some time for the leading Continental map publishers to recognize the superior nature of Saxton's work.

**Detailed Condition:**