



The rare Latin-text edition of Speed's map of Devon

SPEED, John.

Devonshire with Excester Described And the Armes of such Nobles as have borne the titles of them.

London, John Sudbury & George Humble, 1616, Latin text edition. 385 x 520mm.

£1,600

Engraved by Jodocus Hondius, this is one of the most decorative maps of the county, with inset plan of Exeter, royal crest and armorials. This example comes from the only non-English edition of Speed's Theatre, produced for the Continental market. Its lack of success makes it comparatively scarce: it was only after 1918 that the British Museum obtained a complete Latin volume. A good, early impression.

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