



A 17th century English map of Russia

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A Mapp of the Estates of the Great Duke of Russia, Blanch or Moscovia, Designed by Mounier Sanson Geographer to the French King; and Rendred into English by Ric: Blome. By his Majesties Espetial Command... 1669.

London, 1670. 290 x 410mm.

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A scarce map of Russia, engraved by Francis Lamb for Blome's 'Geographical Description of the Four Parts of the World', England's second folio world atlas. The dedication is 'To the Right Worshipfull the Governer, Consulls and Court of Assistance of Moscovia Merchants'. The Muscovy Company was chartered in 1555 by Mary I, giving them a monopoly of trade with Muscovy which lasted until 1698. Anthony Jenkinson, who supplied a map of Russia to Ortelius, was a trader of the Muscovy Company. The company continued to trade until 1917, and now operates as a charity within Russia.

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