



A scarce miniature map of Leinster

HONDIUS, Jodocus II.  
Lagenia.

Amsterdam: Willem Blaeu, 1639. 100 x 135mm.

£140

A map of Leinster, engraved for a new edition of the Bertius 'Tabularum geographicarum contractarum' published by Hondius in 1616, which King describes as 'the finest set of miniature maps ever printed'. This example was issued in a Dutch pocket edition of 'Camden's Britannia'. Hondius (c.1594-1629) was the son of the Jodocus Hondius who engraved the John Speed county maps. He left the family business to set up on his own c.1621; after his early death many of his copper plates were sold to the rival Blaeu firm.

KING: Miniature Antique Maps, p. 96-99.

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