



The Speed map of England's colony of Carolina

SPEED, John.  
 A New Description of Carolina.

London: Thomas Bassett & Richard Chiswell, 1676. Coloured. 385 x 510mm.

£4,000

An important map of Carolina, orientated with north to the right. On the reverse is a letterpress text describing the provinces of Carolina and Florida.. Although the map is usually attributed to Speed, it was engraved by Francis Lamb for the 1676 edition of Speed's 'Prospect of the Most Famous Parts of the World' (the first English world atlas, first published 1627), by which time Speed had been dead for nearly half a century. Both the cartography and the text came from John Ogilby's 'America' of 1671.

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