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KITCHIN'S COUNTY ATLAS OF SCOTLAND

Geographia Scotiae: Being New and Correct Maps of all the Counties and Islands in the Kingdom of Scotland...

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Dimensions

Notes

An attractive example of Thomas Kitchin's county atlas of Scotland.

Thomas Kitchin (1718-1784) was an important London engraver and map publisher who also held the post of Hydrographer to King George II. His output of atlases and maps covered a working period of more than thirty years and included more than a dozen maps of Scotland, this first pocket atlas and a series of Scottish county maps published in the London Magazine between 1763 and 1781. His 1745 engraving of John Elphinstone's map of Scotland marked a notable advance in accuracy, particularly of the mainland, and the 32 maps of this atlas are all clearly based on this depiction, with some additional names from Moll. It is interesting to note that the three maps of the Lothian counties are all noted as "surveyed by Mr. Adair" and may be related to the Cooper engravings of circa 1735-37.

The atlas, first published in 1748, and comprising of a general map and 32 maps of the Scottish counties. For this second edition, Kitchin has had the title and text reset.

Bibliography

Moir 4A; Hodson 208.

Provenance

1. Sir Hew Whitefoord Dalrymple (1750-1830) was a Scottish General in the British Army and Governor of Gibraltar.

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