



Engraved map with hand colouring.

SPEED'S MAP OF NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

Northamptonshire

Author

SPEED, John

Publication date

[1627].

Publisher

Performed by Iohn Speede and are to be sold by George Humble in ye Popes head alley,

Publication place

London,

Physical description

Engraved map with hand colouring.

Dimensions

380 by 510mm. (15 by 20 inches).

Notes

A beautifully coloured map of Northamptonshire, with inset maps of Northampton and Peterborough, and a vignette with text of the Battle of Edgecote Moor, where Richard Neville, Duke of Warwick, defeated Edward IV during the Wars of the Roses.

John Speed (1552-1629) was the outstanding cartographer of his age. His 'Theatre of Great Britain'

was the first atlas of the British Isles: Speed prepared the maps himself about two years before they were published. His maps and books dominated the seventeenth-century English market. The present map is taken from the 1627 English edition published by George Humble.

Bibliography

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