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SUSSEX – RARE SEPARATELY ISSUED MAP OF SUSSEX

An Actual Survey of the County of Sussex Divided into Rapes Hundreds and Deanries...

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Publication date
[c1726].

Publisher
Printed and sold by Philip Overton near St Dunstan's Church Fleetstreet, and Thomas Bowles next ye Chapter house in St. Paul's Church yard,

Publication place
London,

Physical description
Engraved map with outline hand colouring, on two sheets joined, loss to upper left corner skilfully supplied in facsimile.

Dimensions
590 by 990mm (23.25 by 39 inches).

Notes
Rare separately issued map of Sussex.

This large two sheet map is a reduction of Budgen's large-scale map of the county first published in 1724 – the first large-scale map of the county. A detailed key to the upper right provides information on market towns, disused habitations, Gentleman's Seats, manor of farm houses, castles, ruins abbeys, priorys etc., furnaces, forges, watermills, smiths forges, camps, heaths, mineral waters, stone quarries, woodland, commons, rocks, sands, boundaries of county, rapes, deanries, hundreds, navigable rivers, and 'parts abounding most with Oak Timber. To the sea around the Selsey peninsula are depicted shoals, rocks, and numerous soundings. Above the map are two fine prospects of Lewes from the south and Chichester from the north.

Although not dated Kingsley in his comprehensive survey of maps of Sussex, date the work to around 1726, due to the fact that Philip Overton and Thomas Bowles published a map of Essex, Middlesex, and Hertfordshire in 1726, similar in size to the present map with the same style border.

As with all separately issued maps, Overton's map of Sussex is rare, with OCLC recording five institutional examples. Kingsley records a further example housed in the Bodleian.

Scale: 1/2 to one mile.

Bibliography
Roger 454; Kingsley 26.

Provenance

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