U DP192

Maps of Yorkshire

1599-1711

Biographical history:

Sutton Nicholls was born in Kent in 1668. A member of the Weaver's Company it is believed he served his apprenticeship under Philip Lea. As an engraver, draughtsman and globe-maker he was responsible for a large number of maps from the late 1680s. It is believed the map of Yorkshire was one of many that were commissioned by Henry Overton. He also drew and then engraved a number of views of London aswell as botanical and anatomical studies, portraits and bookplates etc. He died in Oct 1729.

Pieter van den Keere was born c.1570 in Gent, the son of the printer and type founder Hendric van den Keere the Younger. Because of religious unrest, he fled his homeland for England and worked in London as an engraver. Early plates by Van den Keere feature in John Norden's Speculum Britanniae published in 1593 including aerial views of London and Westminster Abbey. His map of Yorkshire is believed to be based on Saxton's earlier maps.

In 1596 he returned to Holland and settled in Amsterdam, where in 1609 he began publishing in addition to his activities as an engraver. In 1617, the atlas of the Netherlands Germania inferior appeared, bearing his name as the publisher and his full signature on several of the maps. In addition to various topographical folio pages, including those of Amsterdam (1618) and Nuremberg (1619), Van den Keere engraved a world map ("Nova totius terrarum orbis...") in 1621, which was printed by Jan Janzoon in Amsterdam. He ran a busy engraving business, but in the 1620s he began to concentrate more in the business of engraving than as an engraver himself. Pieter van den Keere died in Gent in 1630

Custodial history: Purchased from Artlink Gallery, Beverley, Oct 1994 and Apr 1995

Description: Two printed maps of Yorkshire from the sixteenth and seventeenth-century.

Extent: 2 items

Related material: The Local Studies collections include numerous maps of the East Riding and Yorkshire. See also U DX20 for John Cary's 1810 Map of Yorkshire U DDCA2/53/5 for 1808 Map of Yorkshire, printed for C. Smith.

Access conditions: Access will be granted to any accredited reader

1 item

| U DP192/1 | 'A New Mapp of York Shire With the Post & Cross Roads, and other remarks, according to the latest and Best Observations', engraved by Sutton Nicholls. Map is 470mm x 370mm. Scale is 50mm to 10 miles. 1 item | 1711 |
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U DP192/2 'Eboracensis Comitatus' - engraved map of Yorkshire, by c.1599
Peter van den Keere. Map is 180mm x 140mm.