



Sea chart of Milford Haven from the first English sea-atlas

COLLINS, Greenville.

Milford-Haven. To His Grace Henry, Duke of Beaufort, and Earl of Worcester, Baron Herbert of Chepstoll, Raglan, and Gower, Lord President, and Lord Lieu.t of Wales, &c. This Draught of Milford-Haven is humbly Dedicated and Presented by Cap.t G. Collins Hyd.r to ye King.

London: c.1693. Coloured. 450 x 575mm.

£350

A sea chart of Milford Haven Waterway, with Pembroke and Haverfordwest. The title cartouche features figures representing fishing and mining; the scale cartouche features a blindfolded Justice and a gaoler with chains. The chart was engraved by James Moxon and published in Collins' 'Great Britain's Coasting Pilot, being a New Survey of the Sea Coast', the first English sea-atlas based on personal survey. Undertaken on the orders of Charles II, Collins started his survey in 1681, a task that lasted seven years. The complete atlas was finally completed in 1693, and was so popular that editions were released, with only occasional revisions, until 1792. The quality of the impression suggests this is an early example.

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