



The Great Seal Of The Commonwealth, 1651

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Additional Information

Dimensions	150 × 215 mm
Cartographer	SIMON, Thomas.
Date	1753
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Publication	London: George Vertue, 1753. 215 x 150mm.
Condition	A good example.
References	-

Product Description

An engraved copy of the Great Seal of England of 1651, showing a map of England, Wales, Ireland and the Channel Islands, decorated with the arms of England & Ireland galleons, within a decorative border. The seal was used to authenticate state documents during the Commonwealth, the period between the execution of Charles I and the Restoration of 1660, when England was a republic.

The maker of this seal (and others for Charles I and Charles II) was Thomas Simon (c.1623-65), chief engraver of the Royal Mint. This engraving by Vertue was published in 'The Medals, Coins, Great Seals and other Works of Thomas Simon'.