1. Record Nr. UNISA996384620303316 Autore Speed John <1552?-1629.> **Titolo** The theatre of the empire of Great Britaine [[electronic resource]]: presenting an exact geography of the kingdomes of England, Scotland, Ireland, and the iles adiovning: with the shires, hundreds, cities and shire-townes, within ve kingdome of England, divided and described by Iohn Speed Pubbl/distr/stampa Imprinted at London, : [By William Hall] anno cum privilegio 1611 and are to be solde by John Sudbury & Georg Humble, in Popes-head alley at ye signe of ye white Horse, [1611, i.e. 1612] [14], 146 [i.e. 280], [10] p.: ill. (woodcuts), maps (metal cuts) Descrizione fisica Altri autori (Persone) CamdenWilliam <1551-1623.> Great Britain Description and travel 1601-1700 Early works to 1800 Soggetti Great Britain Maps Early works to 1800 Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali The text is mainly taken from: Camden, William. Britannia. The title page is engraved. Consists of 7 disjunct preliminary leaves; 70 folded sheets, signed A-2L² 2M¹ 2N¹, mounted on stubs; and 5 disjunct index leaves. Each folded sheet, consisting of two leaves, is signed as a single leaf; i.e., A²

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"The woodcuts were no doubt cut by Christoph Schweitzer." Some of the maps are signed by Jodocus Hondius, and "all were engraved by him or under his direction in his workshop at Amsterdam" (Skelton). Books 2-4 each have separate title page. Those to books 2 and 4 give William Hall as printer; those to books 3 and 4 are dated 1612. The pagination is continued in "The history of Great Britaine" (STC

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