

There was an increasing demand for school textbooks in England and Wales following the 1870 Education Act and a considerable number of these was produced in London by George Gill. His output included many geographical works which contained a large variety of maps including lots of miniature ones.

One publication measuring only 135 x 105 mm. was an atlas, having blue printed paper covers with the title in a globe, a contents list and imprint all printed on the front. It contains twelve wood engraved maps without numbers or colour:

*The World**; *Europe*; *England (physical)**; *England (political)**; *England (railways)**; *Scotland**; *Ireland**; *Asia*; *Africa*; *North America*; *South America*; *Australia and adjacent islands*.

The first measured only 85 x 45 mm., whereas the rest are 75/85 x 93/115 mm. A soft cover booklet selling for twopence included just six* of the same maps.

Gill's Penny atlas: these maps illustrate the text of the author's geography. London, Educational Trading Co. Limited, (1871).

Gill's Atlas geography with six maps. London, Educational Trading Co. Limited, (1871).

