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**This Actuell Survey of London, Westminster & Southwark is humbly Dedicated to ye Ld.
Mayor & Court of Aldermen by Ro. Morden Phil: Lea Chr. Browne . .**

Stock#: 33703
Map Maker: Morden / Browne / Lea
Date: 1700
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 40.5 x 26 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Decorative example of this scarce large-format map of London, published at the end of the 17th Century by Morden, Lea and Browne.

The map extends from St Pancras in the north to Southwark, and from Arlington House (Buckingham Palace) in the west to Stepney in the east.

The map is embellished with London's coat of arms and a decorative banner with information promoting the business locations of Lea and Browne, the surviving sellers. As noted in the catalog entry of Daniel Crouch Rare Books:

The most important public buildings are shown in elevation. Amongst them are some notable lost palaces, including Arlington House, on the present day site of Buckingham Palace. The house, built in 1675, was the residence of Henry Bennet, 1st Earl of Arlington. The freehold for the property would be sold to the Duke of Buckingham in 1702. Another palace of note is Montague House, home of the 1st Duke of Montague. It was situated on Great Russell Street, which at the time backed on to fields, and in 1759 was sold to the Trustees of the British Museum. The house would be demolished in the 1840s to make way for the modern day building. A great deal of the outlying area of the map is a patchwork of fields dotted with hamlets, such as Marylebone, St Pancras, and Cambridge Heath. Below the plan are tables giving names of the public offices, wards, and parishes; which before the Fire numbered 97 but only 62 after. There is also information on the halls and companies, markets, inns of court, prisons, palaces, and public buildings. The Thames is depicted teeming with sailing vessels, barges and watermen.

A fascinating look at London, shortly after the Great Fire.



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Detailed Condition:

Minor repairs along the folds and some minor soiling.