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A Map of that Part of America where a Degree of Latitude was measured for the Royal Society by Cha. Mason & Jere: Dixon

Stock#: 38936
Map Maker: Mynde
Date: 1769
Place: London
Color: Uncolored
Condition:
Size: 7 x 4 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Scarce first edition of this early map showing the results of Mason & Dixon's survey of the boundaries between Pennsylvania and Maryland.

Following a dispute of nearly 100 years, the Penn and Calvert (Lord Baltimore) families finally settled their dispute over the boundary between the two colonies in the mid 18th Century. Initial attempts to employ local surveyors failed to produce a satisfactory map, which led to the employment of Charles Mason and Jeremiah Dixon, to travel to America to lay down a proper survey.



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The survey resulted in a two sheet manuscript map, of which this is a reduced version of the Eastern sheet. The map first appeared in the *Transactions of the Royal Philosophical Society*, the source of this example. The map was later re-issued in the November 1769 edition of the *Gentlemen's Magazine*.

A fine example on a huge oversized sheet. While the *Gentlemen's Magazine* edition appears on the market, this edition is now quite rare.

Detailed Condition: