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Plan Von Neu Ebenezer . . . [with] Part of Carolina . . .

Stock#: 15338
Map Maker: Seutter
Date: 1747
Place: Augsburg
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 22.5 x 19 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Important early town plan of New Ebenezer on the Savannah River, accompanied by a large map of the region from Charleston and Augusta, GA in the north to Saint Augustine, Florida, with a smaller inset map of St. Simons River, and Great St. Simon's Island and Jekyl Isle.

The map was prepared for Samuel Urlsperger's *Ausführliche Nachrichten von den saltzburgischen emigranten*, published by Matthaeus Seutter, 1747. The map illustrates one of the most interesting early colonies in the southeast. The Salzburger were a group of Lutherans who were exiled from their homeland in Salzburg, Austria. In 1734, the English Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge sponsored the sea passage of a small group of them to America. Their first settlement, on the Ebenezer River, proved inhospitable, so in 1736 they moved to the banks of the Savannah River, where they founded New Ebenezer. With Savannah, founded only three years earlier, as a model, New Ebenezer was laid out on a grid pattern, punctuated by open squares and became a thriving locale known for its silk trade. It is now an archaeological site listed on the National Register of Historic Places; only the brick Jerusalem Lutheran Church and a few other buildings survive.



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A rare early American plan, now rare on the market. A fine example in full original color. A seminal map Southeastern collectors.

Detailed Condition:

Small tear along the bottom right of center, approximately 1.5 inches and extending 1 inch into the printed image. Professionally repaired on verso. Small crease in the upper right corner reinforced on verso.