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A Survey of Lake Champlain, including Lake George, Crown Point and St. John, Surveyed by Order of His Excellency, Major General Sr. Jeffery Amherst . . . 1762

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Map Maker: Sayer & Bennett

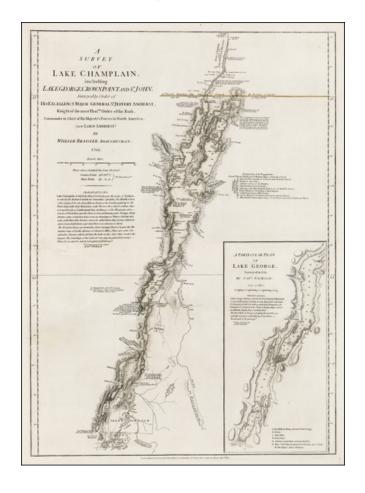
Date: 1776
Place: London

Color: Hand Colored

Condition: VG

Size: 25.5 x 18 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Important Revolutionary War Period map of Lake Champlain & Lake George, based upon William Brassier's survey of the region during the French & Indian War.

Sayer & Bennett's map is the first separately published map to focus on Lake Champlain and Lake George. Extending from Fort William Henry (Fort George and Skenesborough in the south, this large format detailed chart of Lake Champlain was based on the survey made by Brassier during 1758 and 1759, while he was employed by John Montressor as both a surveyor and draughtsman. A number of the names have been changed, Ticonderoga was formerly Fort Carillon, Fort George and Fort William now feature as does Lake George (named after the British monarch in 1755).

Brassier's survey remained in manuscript form until the outset of the American Revolution. It was then



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engraved and first issued in Jeffery's *American Atlas*. Shortly afterwards the second state was published in Sayer and Bennett's *American Military Pocket Atlas* - the so-called *Holster Atlas*.

Offered here is the preferred second state (although the date of August 5, 1776 remains unchanged), the map shows the engagement of the British and American Fleets off the Isle of Valcour on October 11, 1776, their movements down the river, and a second engagement off Crown Point on October 13, 1776, with lettered references.

The inset Plan of Lake George illustrates America's first naval battle, in which General Benedict Arnold attacked the British and while forced back to the south, was able to delay the British attempt to descend to the Hudson for that year.

No mention is made of Ethan Allen's taking of Fort Ticonderoga in 1775.

Detailed Condition:

Minor fold split, repaired on verso (left side, just entereing print image)