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To The Right Honorable Charles Earl of Peterborow, and Monmouth, &c. This Map of Africa, According to yet Newest and most Exact Observations is most Humbly Dedicated

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Stock#: 32213
Map Maker: Moll
Date: 1720 circa
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 38 x 23.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Decorative 2-sheet map of Africa, from the leading English mapmaker of the period.

The map shows the whole continent as well as Madagascar, portions of the coast of Asia, Ceylon, India, and Brazil. An inset view of the Cape of Good Hope, showing the bay filled with ships, Table Mountain and a key to the locations are noted. The three other insets include Cape Coast Castle on the Gold Coast of Guinea, James Fort on St. Helena, and a plan of the Fort of Good Hope.

Includes a fascinating note in Guinea, *I am credibly informed that ye country about 400 leagues North of the Coast of Guinea is inhabited by white Men, or at least a different kind of People from the Blacks, who wear Cloaths, and have ye use of Letters, make Silk, and that some of them keep the Christian Sabbath.* The old sources of the Nile, and Lakes Zaire and Zaflan, have been turned into swamps and are no longer connected to the Nile. The sea is filled with indications of currents, as well as a good route to take to the East Indies from England. Decorated with a lovely compass rose and a cartouche that has a native wrestling a crocodile, an ostrich, two battling snakes, a lion and an elephant.

Detailed Condition:

Minor repairs and discoloration at folds.