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A Map of the British and French Settlements in North America

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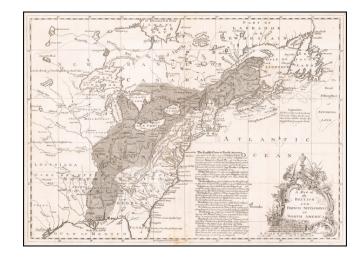
Map Maker: Scots Magazine

Date: 1755 circaPlace: LondonColor: Uncolored

Condition: VG

Size: 15×11 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Rare Scots Magazine Edition of the Mitchell Map.

Marvelous map of the United States and Canada, highlighting the area in dispute between the French and English at the outset of the French & Indian War.

Notably, many of the more interesting annotations are drawn directly from Mitchell's map. The boundaries of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia extend to the Mississippi. Earl Granville's Property is noted and showing extending from Albemarle Sound to the Mississippi.

The map includes a lengthy bit of text in the Atlantic Ocean establishing the English claim to North America.

At least 30 early French and English forts are shown. The map includes a number of historical notes, including the Virginia-New England border of 1609, The Limits Stipulated in 1738 for Georgia, the Bounds of Hudson's Bay by the Treaty of Utrecht, the North Bounds of New England by Chart of 1620 (extending toward the Pacific Ocean to the west of Lake Superior), etc.

The course of the Ohio or Fair River is derived directly from the Mitchell. The Province of Maine and Massachusetts Bay appear, with East and West New Jersey delineated, but named only New Jersey. Delaware County appears as part of Pennsylvania. A note showing "Walker 1750" refers to Dr. Thomas Walker, a physician and explorer from Virginia who led an expedition beyond the Allegheny Mountains. Walker was responsible for naming what is now known as the Cumberland Plateau and by extension the Cumberland River for the Duke of Cumberland. His party were some of the first Englishmen to see this



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area - previous white explorers were largely of Spanish and French origins. Walker explored Kentucky in 1750, 19 years before the arrival of Daniel Boone.

Versions of this map appeared in the *Gentleman's Magazine* and elsewhere, but this, the Edinburgh-published *Scots Magazine* edition engraved by Thomas Phinn is quite a bit rarer.

Detailed Condition: