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## [Pennsylvania Revolutionary War Battle Plan] Sketch of Fayette's Position at Barren Hill

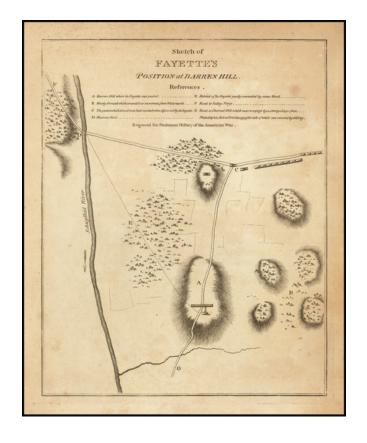
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Date: 1794
Place: London
Color: Uncolored

**Condition:** VG

**Size:**  $7 \times 8.5$  inches

**Price:** SOLD



### **Description:**

#### Lafayette Leads American Forces To Safety

Detailed Revolutionary War battle plan, published by Stedman.

The map shows the action near the Schuylkill River, including where Lafayette and his French troops were posted, the woody ground which concealed his movements from Whitmarsh, the point reached by Grant before his position was discovered by Lafayette, Matson's Ford, Lafayette's retreat, the Road to Valley Forge and Road to Chestnut Hill.

#### **Battle of Barren Hill**

The Battle of Barren Hill was a military engagement during the American Revolution.

On May 20, 1778, the British launched an attack. The militia scattered at the sight of the British troops,



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not offering any resistance and failing to notify Lafayette of the attack. On Ridge Road, the American group learned of the British attack. A small group was sent to fight a delaying action against the British while their commander sent word to Lafayette about the developments. After Lafayette learned of the attack, another patriot came up and told him that the British had advanced up the White Marsh Road.

Lafayette knew of another small road that led back to Dickinson Ford that would bypass the British force. It ran along some low ground that would conceal the Americans from the British. The British did not know about this road. Lafayette ordered his men to retreat down this road while ordering a rear guard to delay the British at the church. A few small patrols were sent to engage the British, skirmishing including the Oneida, making them think that the American force intended to stay and fight. Lafayette calmed his retreating force and slipped away with relatively few casualties.

#### **Detailed Condition:**

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