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A Map of the Province of Carolina Divided into its Parishes &c According to the latest Accounts. 1730

Stock#: 82386 Map Maker: Moll

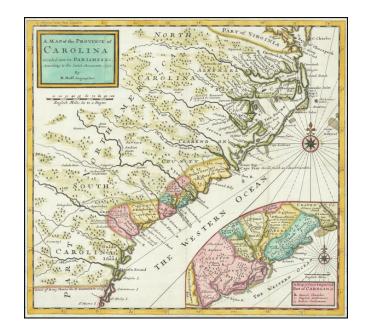
Date: 1730 Place: London

Color: Hand Colored

Condition: VG

Size: 15×14 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

The British Province of Carolina

A rare large format map of the Carolinas, from S. Maria Island in the south to Cape Charles in the north, with a large inset showing the area from Edistow Island in the south to the Santee River in the north.

The map is extremely detailed for the period, locating dozens of towns, Indian villages, rivers, forts and other places of note. There are English corporations and Indian villages noted in the interior, along with the delineation of several important roads, counties and more. Several notes are added, for example one commemorates the location where "Coll. Barnwell defeated the Indians [1712]."

The genesis of the map is quite interesting. The main image is a significantly enlarged and improved version of Hermann Moll's earlier map of the Carolinas, which appeared in Moll's *Atlas Minor* and several other publications over about a 30 year period. The size of this map was about 7 x 6 inches. The inset map showing "ye most improved part of Carolina," is a reduced size version of the inset map which appears on Moll's "Beaver Map." This inset focuses on the coastal areas which have seen the most British settlements and the structure of their early parishes. In all, the map is a completely unique work, apparently made specifically for David Humphrey's book on Propagation of the Gospel in the British Colonies in America.



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The map appeared in David Humphreys's *An Historical Account of the Incorporated Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts. Containing their Foundation, Proceedings, and the Success of their Missionaries in the British Colonies, to the Year 1728.* The work contains a number of interesting contemporary reports from the Colonies, including accounts of Yamasee and Tuscarora wars in the Carolinas, the New York slave insurrections of 1712, the Four Indian Kings who traveled to England, and a 1715, New York edition of a Mohawk prayer book. In general, Humphreys documented the inevitable trials of attempting to convert and educate a strong aboriginal populace. As noted by Decker, the book

Deals entirely with America, compiled from papers sent to the Society by the Governors of the Colonies. This work details accounts of the travels, hardships and adventures of missionaries sent to New York City, Westchester Country, Albany, Staten Island, Pennsylvania, the Carolinas. There is also some account of the Iroquois and their leaders; of the people and churches of Boston, Rhode Island, Narragansett, Newbury,

While the book's theme relates to missionary travels among the Indians of the British Colonies, the map is among the most detailed single sheet English maps of the region in the first half of the 18th Century and comes prior to the issuance of most of the multi-sheet English regional maps of the British Colonies. This rare map is nicely hand-colored.

Detailed Condition: