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[London - Great Fire of 1666 and Pollution Sammelband]

Stock#: 103653

Map Maker: Kitchin / Hollar / Wren

Date: 1707 - 1781 **Place:** London

Color: (See Description)

Condition: VG

Size: 7.5×9.5 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

This wonderful 18th-century sammelband includes a fascinating collection of plans and works that chronicle the development and history of London, particularly as relates to the Great Fire of 1666. It features:

- 1. A New and Correct plan of the Cities of London, Westminster, and Borough of Southwark by Thomas Kitchin. Dated 1781 and published by R. Sayer & J. Bennett, this engraved folding map showcases the city from Islington to Newington Butts and from Stepney to Hyde Park. It includes detailed tables of buildings, parishes, and churches in the corners. Despite slight cropping at the heading and a few tears at the folds, the map is still very nice. Howgego 163 (4)
- 2. A True and Exact Prospect of the Famous Citty of London; Another Prospect of the Said Citty Taken After the Sad Calamitie and Destruction by Fire" by Wenceslas Hollar. This 1666 engraved folding panorama, reissued by John Overton between 1669-1707, vividly depicts London both before and after the Great Fire. State iii
- 3. Works by John Evelyn and Christopher Wren, which include *Londinum redivivum* presented to His Majesty shortly after the Great Fire, and *A Plan of the City of London* as envisioned in the restoration proposals by Sir Christopher Wren. These two folding engraved plans from 1748 (on four separate sheets), published by the Society of Antiquaries, offer a glimpse into the reconstruction ideas of the time.
- 4. Description of the City of London by William Fitz-Stephen, newly translated from Latin by Samuel



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Pegge in 1772, provides a historical account with personal annotations by the translator.

- 5. Fumifugium: or the Inconvenience of the Aer, and Smoake of London Dissipated by John Evelyn, reprinted in 1772. This edition features the editor's name, "Thomas White Esq. F.R.S.," added in ink on the title page.
- 6. This volume also contains a section on London extracted from Lysons' Magna Britannia.

Provenance

Benjamin White, South Lambeth. His ex-libris, dated 1777. John White, Selbourne. His ex-libris.

George Soaper. His ex-libris.

Annotated in ink in an early hand, making correction and elaborations on title pages and elsewhere.

Detailed Condition:

Quarto. 18th-century calf (rebacked). and is occasionally marked with light soiling and several library stamps. Composite volume. Contents elaborated in the general description. (Ink library stamps to some leaves.)