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Mappa Geographica Provinciae Novae Eboraci ab Anglis New-York... Claudii Josephi Sauthier cui Accedit Nova Jersey ex topogrphicis...1778

Stock#: 0499mb
Map Maker: Homann Heirs / Sauthier
Date: 1778
Place: Nuremberg
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 28 x 22 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Nice example of the Homann Heirs' edition of Sauthier's celebrated map of New York and New Jersey, made during the Revolutionary War

Interest in the American Revolution in the German Empire and throughout northern Europe inspired Homann Heirs and several other major publishers in Northern Europe to publish German language editions of a number of the most important English maps of the British Colonies in North America. This derivative of Claude Joseph Sauthier's remarkable manuscript map of the provinces of New York and New Jersey which was first published on three sheets in 1776 by William Faden as *A Map of the Province of New York*. Faden's map also included details taken from Bernhard Ratzer's survey of New Jersey.

Sauthier continued to improve upon his work during the first years of the Revolution, and in 1779, an



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enlarged version of the map was published by Faden on six sheets, under the title *A Chorographical Map....* Although the two are usually viewed as different maps, they are clearly based on the same source (the aforementioned large manuscript), and the present map is a reduced version of this mapping sequence.

The Sauthier map contains a tremendous amount of information which appears for the first time on a printed map, particularly in the Northern parts of the New York, the Catskills, and Vermont. Sauthier notes that

the Mohawk Valley and County of Tryon are Laid down according to an Actual Survey and other Manuscripts generously communicated by Governor Pownall [the esteemed cartographer and former Massachusetts governor]."

Claude Joseph Sauthier came to North Carolina in 1769 with Governor William Tryon. He conducted surveys of several North Carolina towns and designed "Tryon's Palace" at New Bern before accompanying Tryon to New York in 1771. He subsequently conducted many surveys of New York, and during the revolution he served as a military engineer producing a number of fine maps for the British Army. A number of Sauthier's printed and manuscript maps, including an example of the present map, can be found in the collection formed by Sir Henry Clinton, Commander of the British Forces in North America, 1775-1782, now preserved at the William L. Clements Library in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Detailed Condition: