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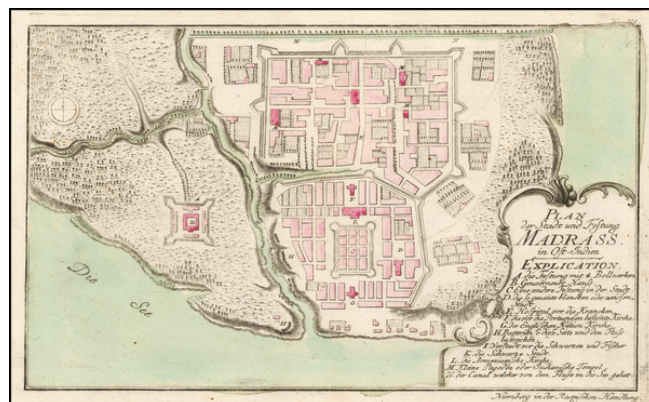
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(Chennai) Plan der Stadt und Festung Madrass im Ost-Indien

Stock#: 56810
Map Maker: Raspe
Date: 1763 circa
Place: Nuremberg
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 15.7 x 9 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Scarce early plan of the area around Madras, from Raspe's *Schauplatz des Gegenwaertigen Kriegs...*

Shows fortifications, the Governors House, Hospital, Portuguese Church, English Church, Batteries, Armenian Church, Indian Temple and Pagona and other details.

Founded as Fort St George in 1640, Madras became an important trading post for the British, which meant it became a target for the French during the Seven Years' War. In December 1758 the French army under Thomas Arthur, comte de Lally (of Irish Jacobite descent), laid siege to Madras. He failed to take the fortress before British reinforcements arrived, after which Lally withdrew. This was a turning point in the war for dominance in India, and, after five years as a prisoner of war in England, Lally was executed for his failures.

Detailed Condition: